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Ton Pho Si Maha Pho (The Great Bodhi Tree)

PRACHIN BURI

Located about 135 kilometres northeast of Bangkok, Prachin Buri, a province next to the border, covers a total area of approximately 4,762 square kilometres. Once a prosperous town since the Dvaravati until the Lop Buri period, dating back 800 years ago, proven by traces of ancient towns like Mueang Si Mahosot, located at Tambon Khok Pip, Amphoe Si Mahosot, as well as, another ancient community, built around the same period as Mueang Si Mahosot and situated to the east of it, located at Ban Khok Khwang, Amphoe Si Maha Phot. Through these ruins, discoveries of historical sites used for religious purposes and other artefacts such as Buddha images, statues of deities, pottery, and bronze ware were found scattered in these areas.

It was also recorded that the centre of civilization has been moved to the present location on the banks of the Bang Pakong River. There were many administration alterations, from town, “Mueang Prachin”, circle or “Monthon Prachin” in the Ayutthaya period until the early Rattanakosin era, to province or “Changwat Prachin Buri” during the reign of King Rama VI. Prachin Buri is administratively divided into 7 districts; namely, Amphoe Mueang, Amphoe Ban Sang, Amphoe Prachantakham, Amphoe Si Mahosot, Amphoe Si Maha Phot, Amphoe Kabin Buri, and Amphoe Na Di.

BOUNDARY

North	borders with Nakhon Ratchasima
South	borders with Chachoengsao
East	borders with Sa Kaeo
West	borders with Nakhon Nayok

HOW TO GET THERE

By Car: Prachin Buri is accessible via many routes from Bangkok:

1. Travel along Phahonyothin Road to Rangsit, and keep left to use the overpass.

Change to Highway No. 305. Drive along Khlong Rangsit through Amphoe Ongkharak, Nakhon Nayok. Change to Highway No. 33 (Nakhon Nayok - Prachin Buri Route), and turn right at Nong Cha-om T-junction at Km 155. Then, change to Highway No. 319 before reaching Prachin Buri. The total distance is about 132 km. Or use Highway No. 33 and turn right at the roundabout near the King Naresuan the Great Shrine. The total distance is 136 km.

2. Travel along Highway No. 1, pass Amphoe Wang Noi, Ayutthaya. Turn right at Km 90, and change to Highway No. 33. Travel through

Amphoe Wiha Daeng, Saraburi, and Amphoe Mueang, Nakhon Nayok. Turn right at Nong Cha-om T-junction at Km 155. Then, change to Highway No.319 before reaching Prachin Buri. The total distance is 164 km.

3. Travel along Highway No. 304 through Amphoe Mueang, Chachoengsao, and Amphoe Phanom Sarakham. Then, change to Highway No. 319 and go through Amphoe Si Mahosot before reaching Prachin Buri. The total distance is 158 km.

4. Travel along Highway No.3481 at Khet Nong Chok and pass through Amphoe Bang Nam Priao, Chachoengsao, and Amphoe Ban Sang, Prachin Buri. The total distance is 70 km.

By Bus: First-class air-conditioned buses (40 seats) depart from the Bangkok Bus Terminal (Chatuchak), Kamphaeng Phet 2 Road on the route of Bangkok-Ongkharak-Nakhon Nayok-Somdet Phra Naresuan Shrine Circle-Aranyaprathet-Rong Kluea Market. The first departure is 05.00 a.m. and the last is 05.00 p.m. Buses depart every hour.

Buses travel via these two main routes:

1. Bangkok-Hin Kong-Nakhon Nayok-Prachin Buri route:

The first-class and second-class air-conditioned buses No. 58 and 59, cost Baht 110 and 85, respectively. The first trip from Bangkok leaves at 04.50 a.m. and the last trip leaves at 09.00 p.m. Buses depart every 30 minutes.

2. Bangkok-Ongkharak-Nakhon Nayok-Prachin Buri route:

The first-class and second-class air-conditioned buses No.920, cost Baht 92 and 71, respectively. The first trip Bangkok leaves at 05.25 a.m. and the last trip leaves at 06.25 p.m.

By Van: Vans depart from the Bangkok Bus Terminal (Chatuchak), Kamphaeng Phet 2 Road on the route of Bangkok-Ongkharak-Nakhon Nayok-Prachin Buri Provincial Bus Terminal. The first departure is 05.00 a.m. and the last is 05.00 p.m. Vans depart every hour.

For more information, please contact Tel. 0 2936 2852-66 ext. 442, 311 or at the Prachin Buri Provincial Bus Terminal, Tel. 0 3721 1292.

By Train: A train service between Bangkok and Prachin Buri is available 5 times daily: 05.55 a.m., 08.00 a.m., 01.05 p.m., and 03.25 p.m., and 05.40 p.m. Trains depart Bangkok Railway Station (Hua Lamphong) at 05.55 a.m. and arrive in Prachin Buri at 08.55 a.m., while another departs at 08.00 a.m. and arrives in Prachin Buri at

10.41 a.m. For further details, please contact the Travelling Service Unit, Prachin Buri Railway Station Tel. 0 3721 1120, Bangkok Railway Station, at Tel. 1690 or www.railway.co.th.

Distances from Amphoe Mueang to other Amphoes

Amphoe Ban Sang	20	kilometres
Amphoe Si Mahosot	20	kilometres
Amphoe Si Maha Phot	21	kilometres
Amphoe Prachantakham	30	kilometres
Amphoe Kabin Buri	60	kilometres
Amphoe Na Di	76	kilometres

Distances from Amphoe Mueang to Nearby Provinces

Nakhon Nayok	29	kilometres
Chachoengsao	76	kilometres
Sa Kaeo	98	kilometres
Rayong	186	kilometres
Nakhon Ratchasima	194	kilometres
Chanthaburi	245	kilometres

Also, buses and rental transportation to Kaeng Hin Phoeng, waterfalls, or other tourist attractions are available at the Noen Hom Intersection.

ATTRACTIONS

Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri (อำเภอเมืองปราจีนบุรี)

Ching Yiang Thai Shrine (เทวสถานจิ้งเยิ้งไทย): located on Kaeo Phichit Road, established by the Sawang Bamphen Thammasathan Foundation, is the source of a cultural heritage collection as a centre of the ancient long customs and traditions of the Prachin Buri community. Visitors can pay homage to the God Poi Sian Chou Sue and other Chinese Gods. For more information, please call Tel. 08 1822 0167.

King Naresuan the Great Shrine (ศาลสมเด็จพระนเรศวรมหาราช): located at Noen Hom Intersection, Tambon Ban Phra, 9 kilometres north of Prachin Buri by Highway No. 320, the roundabout of King Naresuan the Great Shrine is on the right hand side. Another route is from Nakhon Nayok by Highway No. 33 at Km 158. The shrine houses a standing statue of King Naresuan the Great to commemorate his camping at Prachin Buri on the way from Ayutthaya to Cambodia in 1589. People in Prachin Buri and nearby provinces normally come to pay respect.

Phrakhru Uthai Thammathari (Seng Sukhito) Museum (พิพิธภัณฑ์

พระครูอุทัยธรรมธารี (เส่ง สุขิโต): located next to the King Naresuan the Great Shrine toward Sa Kaeo province, displays the collection of artefacts and ancient objects of the pre-historical period including the reproduction of antiquities. The Museum contains approximately 900 ancient objects; for example, bronze bangles, earthenware, ceramic ware, Thai coinage, foreign coinage, a 5-legged round support for ceramic firing, and Buddha images in several postures. Open daily including holidays from 08.30 a.m. – 04.00 p.m.

Yusuksuwan Museum (พิพิธภัณฑ์อยู่สุขสุวรรณ): situated at 135 Prachintakham Road, Tambon Dong Khilek, approximately 6 km. from town, covers an area of 17 rai owned by Mr. Narong Yusuksuwan. The Museum displays home appliances in the daily life of the people in the past. The highlights here are a lot of antique lamps collected by the Museum's owner, as well as old coins, bank notes, various patterns of cabinets; such as, teakwood cabinets, dressers, kerosene fans, and especially, the first publication of the Siam State lottery that is more than 70 years old. Open daily between 9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m. Admission fee: 80 Baht for adults, and 40 Baht for children. For more information, please call Tel. 0 3721 7551-2, 08 1295 8212, 08 1864 8218, Fax: 0 3721 1345, www.yusuksuwanmuseum.com, E-mail: yusuksuwan@hotmail.com.

Wat Kaeo Phichit (วัดแก้วพิจิตร): is located on the right bank of the Prachin Buri River, Kaeo Phichit Road, Tambon Na Mueang in the municipality of Mueang Prachin Buri, 2 km. from the town. It is the first Dhammayutika Buddhist temple of Prachin Buri province, which was built in 1879 by a wealthy Prachin Buri local named Mrs. Pramun Phokha (Kaeo Prasangsit), wife of a nobleman named Khun Pramun Phakdi. Later in 1918, Chao Phraya Abhaibhubejhr (Chum Aphaiwong) had a new ordination hall (Ubosot) built to replace the ruined one, which had a mixed architecture and design decoration of Thai, Chinese, European, and Khmer. The principal Buddha image, built in 1919 by Chao Phraya Abhaibhubejhr, was given a name by King Rama V as Luangpho Aphaiyathan or Luangpho Aphai to honour the founder. Inside the Ubosot, the paintings on the canvas depict Buddhist tales like Thotsachat Chadok (10 birth stories of Jataka tales), and Man Phachon (Confronting Devils), drawn by royal painters in the reign of King Rama VI. On the outside of the Ubosot wall, there are stucco reliefs of the Ramayana Epic. With the remarkable intelligence of Chao Phraya Abhaibhubejhr, he hid Dhamma riddles in



Wat Kaeo Phichit

various locations; such as, an untimely clock at the door arch, or an administrative puzzle; such as, the picture of a single male lion on the window. At the front, there is a Learning Thai-Pali Dhamma Building, a concrete building in the dome shape of the Greek or Roman art style. In addition, the temple houses a Tripitaka Hall, and a Trimuk Pavilion at the pier. The temple area is shady. Open 08.30 a.m. – 05.00 p.m. For more information, please call Tel. 0 3721 2795, 08 1481 1740, 08 1650 0327.

Prachin Buri Cultural Centre (ศูนย์วัฒนธรรมจังหวัดปราจีนบุรี): is located on the Bang Pakong riverside, Prachin Anuson Road, next to the Amphoe Mueang's auditorium. Formerly, it was a building in a gold smelting mill, constructed by Phra Pricha Konlakan (Sam-ang Amattayakul) in the reign of King Rama V. The building's architecture, mixed between Thai and Western arts, was registered as an ancient monument, and restored by the Fine Arts Department. At present, it is used as the Prachin Buri Cultural Centre and Red Cross Office.

Prachin Buri National Museum (พิพิธภัณฑสถานแห่งชาติ ปราจีนบุรี): located some 200 metres behind the City Hall, this archaeological museum displays artefacts discovered within the eastern region and neighbouring provinces like Prachin Buri, Sa Kaeo, Nakhon Nayok, Chachoengsao, Chon Buri, Chanthaburi, Trat, and Rayong. The museum mostly displays important artefacts discovered from the ancient city of Mueang Si Mahosot. There are two zones; downstairs displays the archaeology of Prachin Buri, Nakhon Nayok, and special exhibitions. While upstairs displays the archaeology of Thailand, prehistory of the Eastern region, celadon found under water from Ko Khram, Chon Buri. The museum displays important artefacts discovered from ancient cities in the Dvaravati Period such as Buddha images, Hindu statues, Shiva Linga-Hindu phallic symbol of creative power, lintel, and bronze tools. Thai arts in various periods since the prehistoric until Rattanakosin period (King Rama V) are also displayed for comparative study. Moreover, temporary exhibitions on special occasions have been on display. The museum service hours are Wednesday-Friday, and holidays, 09.00 a.m. – 04.00 p.m. Closed on Monday and Tuesday. The admission fee is Baht 150. More details are available at Tel: 0 3721 1586.

Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Building (ตึกเจ้าพระยาอภัยภูเบศร): The building is located 2.5 km. from town in the Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital on Prachin Anuson Road (Highway No. 3069). Its architecture is a 2-storey Renaissance building with the front porch featuring a central dome. Stucco reliefs in a floral design ornate the outside walls, doors and windows. The inside is decorated in a Western style. It was constructed by the personal budget of Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr in 1909 as a residence for King Rama V on his next royal visit to Prachin Buri. Unfortunately, His Majesty passed away in 1910. King Rama VI and his family stayed here instead during his royal visit in 1912. It can be seen that the owner never did stay in this building at all. The building used to serve as the administrative office of the hospital. While



Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Building

downstairs featured the examination room, medicine room and operating room, upstairs served as the women's ward. It was in full operation until 1969 when the present administrative office was completed. In 1990, the Department of Fine Arts registered the Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Building as an ancient monument. It was officially opened on 24 June, 1996, as the Abhaibhubejhr Thai Traditional Medicine Museum, the centre for collection of Thai traditional books, herbs, medicine, and local medicine. It is also a study centre for research and dissemination of knowledge on the local's lifestyle related to local herbs and medicine. Downstairs features the building's history, Thai traditional books, Thai medicine, local medicine, as well as, samples of ancient Thai medical tools like the medicine cabinet, herb grinder, slate, and sorcerer's knife. While upstairs features Thai folded books, medicine books, and grinding stones from Dvaravati period. Open daily from 08.30 a.m. – 05.00 p.m.

Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital, a pilot hospital on Thai medicine, won the 4th Thailand Tourism Award (2003) in the category of tourism promotion and development project. This particular winning project on “Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital's Health Tour” features herbs, traditional Thai massage, steam bath, herbal compress, acupuncture, as well as, by-products in the forms of medicines and cosmetics. For further information, Tel. 0 3721 1088 ext. 3166 or 0 3721 6164. Also, a good bargain herb products shop is located downstairs. Open daily from 08.30 a.m. – 08.30 p.m., Tel. 0 3721 1088 ext. 3166 or www.abhaiherb.com

Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital (โรงพยาบาลเจ้าพระยาอภัยภูเบศร): is a pilot hospital for traditional Thai medicine. The initiative of the “Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Health Tour” has won the



Wat Bot

Thailand Tourism Awards in 2004 and 2010 in the category of tourism promotion and development programme by using healing herbs for medication. The Hospital offers services of massage, sauna, hot compress, and acupuncture, as well as Thai herbal products in the forms of medical supplies and cosmetics. For more information, please call Tel. 0 3721 1088 ext. 3166 or 0 3721 6164. A store is available on the Hospital's ground floor offering herbal products at reasonable prices. Open daily between 08.30 a.m. – 08.30 p.m. Tel. 0 3721 1088 ext. 3166 or www.abhaiherb.com.

Wat Sa-nga Ngam (วัดสง่างาม): This temple is located in Tambon Bang Boribun. *To get there*, proceed along Highway No. 3069 and at Km. 7, go 1 km further. Wat Sa-nga Ngam was granted consecrated boundaries on 10 April, 1917, and the Ubosot, where devoted Buddhists duck under and pass through it for good luck and pray to recover from their illnesses, was officially constructed on 12 March, 1971. Since the temple ground was likely to be flooded, a problem for monks in performing their ceremonies, during July-August of every year, the whole Ubosot was lifted and underwent major renovation on 15 February,

2002. This was when the ducking ritual and gilding the statue of Luangpu Phio, a former abbot (Phrakhru Silawisutthachan), began. It was subsequently spread by word of mouth. For further information, Tel. 0 3721 4490, 08 6097 5803.

Wat Bot (วัดโบสถ์): Located in Tambon Wat Bot, the temple is on the west of town. It was built in 1278 on the bank of the Prachin Buri or Bang Pakong River and covers an area of 45 rai. There are 3 Buddha images along the bank; namely, Phra Siri Mongkhon Nimit (the walking Buddha), Phra Sapphasitthi Nawa (the Buddha sitting in the European style), and Phra Maha Chinasaiyat (the reclining Buddha). The temple is peaceful and shady. *To get there:* Proceed along Thetsaban Damri Road to Suwinthawong Road Intersection (Highway No. 319). Change to Highway No. 3071 and proceed for another 4 km.

Bamboo Garden (สวนพันธุ์ไผ่): Supervised by the Department of Corrections, the garden is located in Tambon Noen Hom with an area of about 300 rai. It has a wide collection of bamboo species for research and breeding. One area is allocated as a training centre-cut bamboo, growing vegetables, building furniture-for good behaviour inmates. Various young bamboo plants are available for sale on the roadside in front of the garden. Operating hours are between 08.00 a.m.-04.00 p.m., Tel. 0 3721 9904. *To get there:* From Highway No. 33, turn left at Noen Hom Intersection (King Naresuan the Great Shrine Circle). Proceed along Highway No. 3077 (Noen Hom-Khao Yai route) for 10 kilometres (the same route to Khao Yai National Park) or 20 kilometres from town.

Namtok Than Rattana (น้ำตกธารรัตนา): Located in Tambon Noen Hom, about 100 metres from Noen Hom-Khao Yai route (Highway No. 3077) at Km. 16 and some 25 kilometres from Mueang Prachin Buri District Office. This waterfall, running through the valley, has plenty of water during the rainy season.

Namtok Heo Narok (น้ำตกเหวนรก): Located on the Prachin Buri-Khao Yai route, Namtok Heo Narok is part of Khao Yai National Park, which covers the area of Prachin Buri, Nakhon Nayok, Nakhon Ratchasima, and Saraburi provinces. It is a gigantic and beautiful waterfall 60 metres in height and a steep cliff. The water, running to the valley down below, is very vigorous during the rainy months. It can be reached by a 1 km. trekking trail. There is a path from the upper level down to the lower level for a better and more beautiful view. *To get there:* Proceed from Prachin Buri via Suwannason Road to Noen Hom Intersection (King Naresuan

the Great Shrine Circle). Turn left to Highway No. 3077. At Km. 21-22, turn right and proceed for another 40 km. to the waterfall.

Chakkraphong Dam (อ่างเก็บน้ำจักรพงษ์): The reservoir is an earth dam of 16.50 metres high and 740 metres long. From the entrance to the dam on the left, there is an 11-kilometre road up to the top of the mountain for viewing the scenic atmosphere. At Km. 7-8, there is a 150-metre long wonder hill. If you stop your car and leave it in neutral gear, the car seems to run up hill because of illusions affected by the surroundings. *To get there:* From Noen Hom Intersection, turn right to Highway No. 33 for about 3 kilometres, turn left at the sign to the dam, between Km. 160-161, for about 2 kilometres.

Namtok Khao Ito (น้ำตกเขาอีโต้): This not-so-high waterfall in Tambon Ban Phra is a popular tourist attraction, which runs through rocks at different levels. Surroundings are full of timber forests. There is plenty of water only in the rainy season. The waterfall is on the same route to the Chakkraphong Dam but is 1 kilometre further.

Amphoe Ban Sang (อำเภอบ้านสร้าง)

Wat Bang Krabao (วัดบางกระบือ): is located on Ban Sang-Bang Taen Road, Tambon Bang Krabao, 6 km. from Ban Sang District Office. The temple is famous for the revered monk master, Luangpho Chat. Thousands of bats (Flying foxes) living on the trees, are found inside the temple. For more information, please contact Tel.0 3727 1475.

Wat Bang Taen (วัดบางแตน): situated at Mu 2, Tambon Bang Taen, on the Prachin Buri Riverbank, is an example of an outstanding developed temple. The temple's highlight is Luangpho Khum, a Bang Taen local's respected Buddha image. The temple used to be a site for King Rama V's pavilion on his visit to the Prachin Buri Circle. Also, the temple houses a local museum where it collects rural tools. There is a nice view of the Prachin Buri River in the evening. Tel.0 3729 5179.

Amphoe Si Mahosot (อำเภอศรีมหาโพธิ์)

Ton Pho Si Maha Pho (The Great Bodhi Tree) (ต้นโพธิ์ศรีมหาโพธิ์): The country's oldest and largest bodhi tree is located in Wat Ton Pho Si Maha Pho, Tambon Khok Pip. It was recorded that 2000 years ago, the seedling stock of this bodhi tree was brought from Buddhagaya, India. The tree is about 20 metres in circumference,

30 metres in height, and 25 metres in diameter. Legend has it that Phrachao Thawanampayadit, the ruler of Mueang Si Mahosot during the Khmer empire sent his representatives to Nakhon Patuliputra in India for a branch of the Pho tree, under which the Lord Buddha had sat during his enlightenment. Thereafter, the branch had been planted at this Wat Ton Pho Si Maha Pho. This Pho tree has been the symbol of Prachin Buri. On Visakha Puja Day, there will be a fair to commemorate this Pho tree. *To get there:* Situated some 22 kilometres off Prachin Buri along Suwinthawong Road. Proceed along the Prachin Buri-Phanom Sarakham route (Highway No.319). At Km. 129 turn left for another 1 kilometre.

Luangpho Thawarawadi (หลวงพ่อทวาราวดี): Currently situated in the Wihan in front of the Si Mahosot District office, this 1.63-metre greenish sandstone Buddha image in a standing posture and giving the sermon, believed to be from the 7th–9th Century or Dvaravati Period, was discovered at the leprosy settlement, Camilo Hospital, to the south of Mueang Si Mahosot.

Sa Morakot Archaeological Site (กลุ่มโบราณสถานสระมรกต): located inside Wat Sa Morakot, Tambon Khok Thai, is a large ancient Buddhist complex, which was built over the top of one another in several periods, starting from the 9th–13th century, consisting of the laterite and brick constructions; most of them remain only building foundations. During the excavation, a pair of **Buddha Footprints** engraving on laterite was found, featured humanlike footprints with a high relief of the Dhammacakka (the Wheel of Dhamma) carved in the middle of both feet, which was once presumably shaded by an umbrella since there was a hole for an



Sa Morakot Archaeological Site

umbrella pole to be placed in the middle. The Buddha Footprints, believed to have been built during the Dvaravati or Lop Buri Period, are the largest and oldest pair of footprints in the country. Nearby is a **Sacred Pond**, where many ancient Buddha images and objects were found inside and the water from the pond was brought for the Ratchamangkhalaphisek Ceremony, which marked the occasion when H.M. the King became the longest reigning monarch in Thai history. *To get there:* From Prachin Buri, proceed along Suwinthawong Road. Use Highway No. 319 (Prachin Buri - Phanom Sarakham route) for about 23 kilometres, then turn left and proceed for another 500 metres.

Si Mahosot Ancient Town (โบราณสถานเมืองศรีมโหสถ): Located at Ban Khok Wat, Tambon Khok Pip, this oval or rectangular shape with round edge ancient town dates back to the Dvaravati period, covering an area of about 700 rai. Remains of the moat, mound, and more than 100 interesting ancient monuments such as various architecture, knolls, ponds, and wells are found scattered in the area. Most of the archaeological finds are related to Hinduism such as shrines, graven images, and Shiva Linga. The most important venue is **the complex in the centre of town** (กลุ่มโบราณสถานกลางเมือง). There were Hindu shrines estimated to have been built in the 13th Century, with the base made of laterite, while the top is made of brick. A laterite well, believed to be from the 6th–7th Century, was found behind this site. Many artefacts found were from the Lop Buri, Sukhothai, Ayutthaya, and Rattanakosin Periods such as sculptures of gods and pottery. Also, there is **Phukhao Thong** (ภูเขาทอง) a round-shape stupa from the Dvaravati Period. Another venue is **the Ancient Monument No. 25** (โบราณสถานหมายเลขที่ 25), a Hindu shrine with a laterite rectangular base believed to be from the 6th Century. **Sa Kao Ancient Monument** (โบราณสถานสระแก้ว) is a square pond measuring approximately 18 metres wide, dug deep into the natural laterite floor, with a stairway of 4 metres wide and some 13.60 metres long in the west leading down into the pond. It is located to the southwest of Mueang Si Mahosot. On the walls of the pond, there are bas-reliefs showing animals from myths such as elephants, Makaras, lions, pig, Kinnaree, and snake. It is believed that the water from this pond is sacred, and was used in many religious ceremonies by the kings of Mueang Si Mahosot. The pond is believed to be from the 5th–6th Century. *To get there:* Located some 20 kilometres from Prachin Buri. Use Highway No. 319 and turn left at Km. 130 for Highway No. 3070. Proceed for another 1 kilometre. The ancient town with scattered



Royal Handwriting Monument

architectural remains is located on the right hand side. It is accessible via many connected routes.

Amphoe Si Maha Phot (อำเภอศรีมหาโพธิ์)

Royal Handwriting Monument (อนุสาวรีย์ลายพระหัตถ์): Located at the Si Maha Pho Royal Handwriting Park, Tambon Nong Phrong, under the supervision of the Mueang Kao Municipality and Mueang Kao Sub-district Administration Organization, this inscription of the



Lum Mueang

royal initials was made during the visit of King Rama V to Prachin Buri in 1908. The inscription was made on a laterite artefact from the Lop Buri Period, dating back to the 7th–8th Century. *To get there:* This monument is about 1.5 kilometres from Si Maha Phot District Office on the way to Ban Khok Khwang, just opposite the Lum Mueang entrance.

Lum Mueang (หลุมเมือง): Located in Soi Thetsaban 10, Tambon Si Maha Phot, this is a place with about 48 holes or “Lum” of different



Phan Hin Ancient Monument

sizes dug deep on laterite ground. The date of the digging is unknown. During his royal visit on 18 December, 1908, King Rama V assumed that the holes were mortars for mixing cement for architectural decoration. But some elderly believed that these holes were meant for a local game known as “**Lum Len Mueang**”.

Phan Hin Ancient Monument (โบราณสถานพานหิน) Situated at Ban Khok Khwang, Tambon Nong Phrong, this large square Phan Hin ancient monument is made solely of laterite. It is 15.50 metres

wide on each side, and 3.5 metres high, with 4 porches. It is assumed that the building was a shrine for the Hindu God, Vishnu, built during the 7th–9th Century in the reign of King Jayavarman I of Chenla. The shape of a sculptural pedestal found in the centre of the ancient remains is similar to a tray or “Phan” in Thai. Therefore, the place has been called “**Phan Hin**” or stone tray since. In addition, a carved round laterite base was also discovered. King Rama V paid a royal visit in 1908. *To get there:* It is about 1 kilometre from Si Maha Phot District Office- on the way to Khok Khwang, and then proceed for another 600 metres.

Amphoe Prachantakham (อำเภอประจันตคาม)

Namtok Than Thip (น้ำตกธารทิพย์): Located at Ban Noen Hin Tang, Tambon Nong Kaeo, the waterfall runs through different rocky levels. At some point, it passes a wide rock terrace, and some points are a deep pool. People can swim here. There is a rock terrace for recreation. The left side of the stream is quite steep. The forest is still very intact contributing to tranquility and a suitable retreat. *To get there:* From Prachin Buri, proceed along the Prachin Buri-Takham route (Highway No. 3452), a total distance of 16 kilometres. On to Highway No. 33 and all the way to Prachantakham Intersection. Another option is to proceed along the Noen Hom Intersection, turn right onto Highway No. 33, and follow all the way to Prachantakham Intersection. Take a left turn onto Thanon Rho Pho Cho and follow all the way to Km. 9, where the Than Thip Waterfall’s entrance sign is eventually visible. Proceed for another 9 kilometres.

Namtok Som Poi (น้ำตกส้มป่อย): Located at Ban Khao Noi, Tambon Bu Fai, this not-so-high waterfall runs through cataracts at different levels. The stream stretches some 400 metres and there are pools suitable for swimming. *To get there:* From Prachin Buri, proceed along the same route as Namtok Than Thip onto Thanon Rho Pho Cho. At Km. 14, take another turn and proceed for some 2 kilometres further to the waterfall.

Namtok Takhro and Namtok Salat Dai (น้ำตกตะคร้อและน้ำตกสลัดได): Located at Ban Takhro, Tambon Bu Fai, Namtok Takhro is some 500 metres from the Takhro border checkpoint. This waterfall has wide rapids and there is a suspension bridge spanning across it. The left side features a hill while the right hand side features a timber forest – a relaxing stop. There is a 2-kilometre path to the beautiful Namtok Salat Dai (น้ำตกสลัดได). Must contact a guide officer from



Namtok Than Thip

the Safeguard Unit 10 of Khao Yai National Park, located near the Takhro Waterfall, beforehand. *To get there:* From Prachin Buri, proceed along the same route with Than Thip and Takhro Waterfalls onto Thanon Rho Pho Cho at Km 16.

Amphoe Kabin Buri (อำเภอabinบุรี)

Kabin Chaloem Rat Park (อุทยานabinทร์เฉลิมราชย์): Located on the side of Highway No. 33 (Prachantakham-Kabin Buri) at Km. 206-207,



Namtok Som Poi

this large park/swamp occupies an area of approximately 900 rai. During October-May, thousand of grebes migrate from Siberia. Open to the public from 06.00 a.m.–08.00 p.m.

Mueang Thong Kham Ban Bo Thong Museum (พิพิธภัณฑ์เหมืองทองคำบ้านบ่อทอง): Intended as a knowledge and cultural hub, this museum is located at Tambon Bo Thong along Highway No. 33 (Kabin Buri–Sa Kaeo route). It features history of gold mining, archives, as well as, mine-related objects such as artefacts, or local tools. Exhibitions inside displays the history of the gold mine such as underground mining, and separating the ores. Also, there are showcases displaying surveying tools, furnaces, different types of ores, ancient factory, storage ground, and a number of preserved mines like Kwan mine, Mak mine, Maduea mine, Sam-ang mine, Khi Lek mine. Tourists can learn from actual places. Open to the public from 08.30 a.m.–04.30 p.m. Closed on public holidays. For further information, contact Bo Thong Sub-district Administration Organization, Tel.0 3746 0037.

Amphoe Na Di (อำเภอนาดี)

Thap Lan National Park (อุทยานแห่งชาติทับลาน): Covering Tambon Bu Phram, Amphoe Na Di, Prachin Buri; Amphoe Pak Thong Chai, Wang Nam Khiao, Khon Buri, and Soeng Sang of Nakhon Ratchasima; and Amphoe Pakham of Buri Ram, Thap Lan National Park occupies an approximate area of 2,240 square kilometres or 1,400,000 rai. It was established as a national park on 23 December, 1981. The attractions in the park include:

Lan Forest and Recreational Garden (ป่าลานและสวนพักผ่อนหย่อนใจ), This is the last piece of natural Lan or Corypha palm forest—a rare species of primitive palm—located near the Park’s office. Lan trees

are in bloom only after 20 years. Their beautiful yellow blossoms will appear during April to June. They, however, die after flowering.

The recreational garden, covering an area of 20 rai, is adjacent to the Thap Lan National Park's headquarters. There are Lan trees and various plants. The atmosphere in the garden is very serene. There are gazebos and a large pond right at the centre of the garden. Besides the Lan forest, the national park is also covered with deciduous dipterocarp forest and evergreen forest of abundant flora and the habitat of wild animals, and a variety of birds.

Namtok Thap Lan or Namtok Heo Nok Kok (น้ำตกทับลานหรือน้ำตกเหวนกกก), This beautiful waterfall is about 7 kilometres from Ban Thap Lan and 1 kilometre further on foot. Water is running only in the rainy season.

Thap Lan Reservoir (อ่างเก็บน้ำทับลาน), This reservoir is 1 kilometre from Ban Thap Lan. Surrounded by mountains and cool climate, this site is suitable for relaxation.

Namtok Bo Thong (น้ำตกบ่อทอง), the waterfall covers an area in Tambon Bu Phram, 6 km. from Highway No. 304 with a further 500-metre walk. This waterfall is very beautiful in the rainy season.

Namtok Huai Kham Phu (น้ำตกห้วยคำภู), the waterfall covers an area in Tambon Kaeng Dinso, features a waterway flowing in different layers with a weir at the bottom. It is a nice place for relaxation. *To get there:* Go for about 20 km. from the junction of Highway No. 304 at Kilometre 92.

Lam Praeng (ลำแปรง), 35 km. from Amphoe Khon Buri, is an ecotourism attraction inhabited by many kinds of wildlife, and also offers a bird-watching activity. *Accommodation:* Rental tents for 2-5 persons are available with prices ranging from 250-500 Baht; otherwise, pay a fee for 30 Baht/person/night if visitors bring their own. *To get there:* Go the same direction as to Pang Sida National Park.

Namtok Huai Yai (น้ำตกห้วยใหญ่), Located to the west end of the Park, this large and beautiful waterfall cascades like a curtain of 50 metres high and 30 metres wide. Water is running all year round but there is no pool for swimming. *To get there:* Take Highway No. 304 and at Km. 79, go 6 kilometres further. The waterfall is in Amphoe Wang Nam Khiao, Nakhon Ratchasima. In the dry season, it is accessible by car.

Namtok Suan Hom, Huai Khamin, Huai Yai Tai (น้ำตกสวนห้อม ห้วยขมิ้น ห้วยใหญ่ใต้), located in Tambon Wang Nam Khiao, Amphoe Wang



Namtok Huai Yai

Nam Khiao, Nakhon Ratchasima, is 6 km. from Highway No. 304. The waterfall is a high cliff of 50 metres high and 30 metres wide. During July-September, the waterfall is especially spectacular. In the dry season, there is less water. Nearby the waterfall, the national park has provided areas on the hilltop for visitors' camping. Pay a 30 Baht fee/person/night for a camp site if bringing their own tent, or pay 250-500 Baht for tent rental suitable for 2-5 persons. Bungalows are offered at 1,500 Baht. From the camp site, views of the waterfall and natural beauty of the Park can be seen.

Lam Mun Bon Dam (เขื่อนลำมูลบน), located in Amphoe Khon Buri Nakhon Ratchasima, An earth dam of 30 metres high, this is where the Mun River takes its source-the Thap Lan forest. A scenic view of the reservoir is available from the dam's crest.

Hat Chom Tawan (หาดชมตะวัน), A 300-metre beach by Lam Plai Mat Dam. Rental boats are available for a tour around it.

Accommodation: The Park reserves 3 bungalows for visitors at 1,500 Baht each. Rental tents for 2-5 persons at 250-500 Baht, or visitors bringing their own tents pay a 30 Baht fee/person/night.

For more information, please contact the Thap Lan National Park 520 Mu 1, Tambon Bu Phram, Amphoe Na Di, Prachin Buri 25220, Tel. 0 3721 9408 or at the Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation, Bangkok, Tel. 0 2562 0760 or www.dnp.go.th.

To get there: By car: 197 km. from Bangkok, the Park is on Highway No. 304. From the intersection of Amphoe Kabin Buri, follow Highway No. 304 on the Amphoe Kabin Buri-Nakhon Ratchasima route for 32 km. (90 km. from Prachin Buri and 107 km. from Nakhon Ratchasima) *By bus:* from Bangkok, take a bus at Mo Chit Bus Terminal (Northeastern Bus Terminal) Kamphaeng Phet 2 Road, for the Bangkok-Kabin Buri route, get off at Kabin Buri, then take a bus on the Kabin Buri-Khorat routing for another 32 km. to reach the National Park Headquarters, which is located on the main road.

Suan Nongnuch Camping Resort (สวนนงนุช แคมป์ปิ้ง รีสอร์ท): It is located at Ban Thung Pho. From Bangkok, take the Rangsit-Ongkharak route via Nakhon Nayok. Turn right onto Highway No. 33 to Kabin Buri Intersection and, then, take a left turn onto Highway No. 304. At Km. 22, you will see the Suan Nongnuch sign. The trip takes about 2 hours. Occupying an area of approximately 2,000 rai, Suan Nongnuch Camping Resort, filled with a variety of flowering plants and exotic gardens, is adjacent to Khao Yai National Park. Many outdoor activities are available for tourists as well. Admission fees for adults and children are 40 and 20 Baht, respectively. Operating hours are from 06.00 a.m.–05.00 p.m., Tel. 0 3740 1371. www.suannongnooch-prachinburi.com

Pa Ngam Adventure Town (บ้านผางามเมืองผจญภัย): situated at 201 Mu 4, Kabin Buri-Pak Thong Chai Road, this place will prove that sometimes the things we can't do are just the things we think we can't do or the things we have not tried yet; thus, it is not surprising that visitors who come for embracing the beauty of nature, warming touch and joining us in the adventure, will take something back with them and sometimes create an “important step” in their minds. Be challenged with energizing activities in Pa Ngam, the adventure town; for example, Sky coaster, Sky tour, Tarzan tour, Rope challenge, and Water challenge. For more information, please contact Tel. 0 3728 2797 or www.pangam.com

ATTRACTION IN A MILITARY CAMP SITE

The 2nd Infantry Division, Queen's Guard (กองพลทหารราบที่ ๒ รักษาพระองค์): situated at the Phrom Yothi Camp, Tambon Ban Phra, was granted to be the Royal Guard Unit under Her Majesty Queen Sirikit.

The camp offers some tourism activities in the area; such as, a 9-hole golf course. Call for more information at Tel. 0 3747 1439 ext. 7032, horse riding: *Horse-riding Club* at the 30th Calvary Battalion, *Phrom Yothi Camp*, Highway No. 320 at Km. 159. Open daily from 07.00-09.00 a.m. and 04.00-06.00 p.m. A 20-hour training course for basic horse riding provided. Tel. 0 3747 1190, 08 6394 1619 or www.geocities.com/phomyothee, shooting: *Shooting Club*: shooting range for types of pistols, or long rifles available for both members and non-members. Open daily from 08.00 a.m.-04.30 p.m. Tel. 08 6536 2279. For more information, please contact the Civil Affairs Department, Tel. 0 3721 1439 ext. 63315.

EVENTS AND FESTIVALS

Makha Purami Si Prachin Festival (งานมาฆปุรณิมาศศรีปราจีน): is annually held on Makha Bucha Day or in February at Wat Sa Morakot and Sa Morakot Archaeological Site, Amphoe Si Mahosot. The Festival features Dhamma practices of Buddhist monks and the general public, including paying homage by walking in a candle-light procession around the old and large pair of Buddha Footprints in Thailand. Tour Si Mahosot Ancient City with the tram service with the narration about Si Mahosot town by youth guides. The town is an important ancient site of Prachin Buri. Select and buy Prachin Buri's OTOP products and local products. Light and sound shows and dinner in the “*Pha Laeng*” style are offered. Call for more information at the Prachin Buri Cultural Office, Tel. 0 3745 2125-6.

Banthuek Rak Klang Phu Pha, the Adventurous Wedding (Love Memory on the Mountain) (งานบันทึกรักกลางภูผา วิวาห์ผจญภัย): organised every year during 13-14 February at Ban Pa Ngam Resort, Amphoe Na Di, features a group marriage registration together with abseiling from the real cliff at Namtok Weluwan. First adventure, enjoying the challenging activities and the second adventure, indulging with a romantic atmosphere “Tied like a rope knot and being stable like a mountain” For more information, please contact Ban Pa Ngam Resort, Tel. 08 1863 3929; Bangkok office, Tel. 0 2424 3476; and Amphoe Na Di District Office, Tel. 0 3727 9124.

Group Marriage Registration for Senior Couples (งานจดทะเบียนสมรสหมู่ สาว 1,200 ปี): is held every year on 14 February at Naravadee Spa Resort, Amphoe Na Di. The activities offer a group marriage registration in a Thai traditional atmosphere with Thai wedding procession (Khan Mak), demonstrations of Bai Si Su Khwan (welcoming ritual), and fresh flower garland threading. For more

information, call Tel. 0 3721 5217-8, 08 0447 7778, www.naravadee sparesort.com.

Khao Mai Pla Man, Wan Aroi Dai Rai Alcohol Fair (งานข้าวใหม่ปลามัน วันอร่อยได้ไร้แอลกอฮอล์): held in February every year on the grounds of the King Rama V the Great Monument, Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri. The activities include food sales, OTOP products, and cooking exhibition.

Taste See Shop Festival (งานชิม ชม ช้อป): held annually in March at the King Rama V the Great Monument area, Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri. The activities include sales of agricultural produce, variety of plants, OTOP and distinguished products of Prachin Buri, products from factories, music and entertainment, local culture and 4 regions cultures. For more information, please call Rop Mueang Subdistrict Administrative Organisation, Tel. 0 3721 6908.

Mai Lom, Mai Yai, Herbal Plants at Ban Dong Bang (งานไม้ล้อม ไม้ใหญ่ พืชพรรณสมุนไพร บ้านดงบัง): held in March every year at the village of Mai Dok Mai Pradap Chaloem Phra Kiat, Amphoe Mueang. The activities include a contest of breeds of flowering and ornamental plants; such as, Mok Son, Mok Phuang, Champi, variegated lady palm, Heliconia (Caribia), a contest of stalls for flowering and ornamental plants, a competition of trimming Mok trees, a competition of putting soils into bags, a papaya salad making competition, a singing contest, Miss Flower beauty pageant, a moto-cross racing, and Nok Krong Hua Chuk (Red-whiskered Bulbul) contest. Visitors can buy various kinds of plants; flowering, and ornamental plants, dig plants, large plants, herbs, and famous OTOP products of Prachin Buri.

Prachantakham Songkran Festival (งานวันไหลประจันตคาม): held annually on 13 April at Prachantakham District Office, Amphoe Prachantakham. The activities feature paying homage to the monument of Phra Phakdi Decha (Thao Uthen), who was a local hero of Prachin Buri, enjoying the parades and Miss Songkran beauty pageant, amusement, music for folk cultural conservation performances, ceremonies of pouring water onto Buddha images and to the elderly, joining the Songkran water splashing and buying famous products of Mueang Prachantakham, OTOP products, enjoying local desserts and food. For more information, please contact Prachantakham District Office, Tel. 0 3729 1402.

Fruits and Grafted Fruit Plants Fair at Tambon Mai Khet (งานผลไม้ และกิ่งพันธุ์ไม้ผล ตำบลไม้เค็ด): is held every year at the end of April to the beginning of May at Tambon Mai Khet, Amphoe Mueang.

There are many fruits, grafted fruit plants, flowering and ornamental plants for sale.

Prachin Buri Agricultural Day Fair (งานวันเกษตรปราจีนบุรี): held annually around the end of May to the beginning of June at the King Rama V the Great Monument, Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri. There are agricultural activities including fruits and agricultural produce and product contests, agricultural product sales standings, agricultural exhibition, buying OTOP products, visiting the orchards “riding and eating fruits in Prachin Buri”. For more information, please call the Prachin Buri Agricultural Office, Tel. 0 3721 7874.

Rocket Festival (งานแห่บังไฟ): held every year on Visakha Bucha Day or in May at Wat Ton Pho Si Maha Phot, Amphoe Si Mahosot. The activities include firing the rocket high in the sky, a competition of the Lam Soeng folk dance in the rocket procession, and celebratory entertainment performances.

Krathon Wan (Sweet Santol), Good Quality Fruits and Plants Day at Tambon Ban Phra (งานวันกระท้อนหวาน ผลไม้และไม้พันธุ์ดี ตำบลบ้านพระ): is held annually in June at the OTOP trading centre of Prachin Buri. There are many fruits, plants, and breeds of flowering and ornamental plants for sale. For more information, please contact the Ban Phra Subdistrict Administrative Organisation, Tel. 0 3721 4073, and Prachin Buri District Office, Tel. 0 3721 1635.

Returning the Talipot Palm to the Forest Fair (งานคืนลานสู่ป่า): is held on 26 June annually at Thap Lan National Park, Amphoe Na Di. The activities include an exhibition of Talipot palm forest conservation, joining activities of planting Talipot palm trees in the National Park. For more information, please call Thap Lan National Park, Tel. 0 3721 9408.

Kaeng Hin Phoeng Rafting Festival (เทศกาลล่องแก่งหินเพิง): held every year during June-October at Kaeng Hin Phoeng, Khao Yai National Park Ranger Unit 9, Amphoe Na Di, includes a Kaeng Hin Phoeng rafting competition, and rafting activities with good package deals on offer. Interested persons can contact Kaeng Hin Phoeng rafting entrepreneurs or tour operators who organise rafting activities directly. Accommodation is available in the form of camp sites or resorts in Prachin Buri.

Prachin Buri Red Cross Fair (งานกาชาดปราจีนบุรี): is held annually on 10-19 September at the King Rama V the Great Monument, Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri. The activities include sales of OTOP products, donating to the Red Cross and enjoying entertainment performances.

Traditional Long Boat Races (งานแข่งเรือยาวประเพณี): takes place during the second week of September every year on the Bang Pakong River, in front of the Mueang District Administration Office. There are both traditional long and local boats competing to win Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn's Cup.

Loi Krathong Festival (งานลอยกระทง): is organized on the full moon night of the 12th lunar month at the edge of the dam next to the conference hall of the Mueang District Administration Office. There is the Nang Nopphamat Beauty Contest, Krathong procession contest, students' performances, as well as, performances celebrating the festival.

Light the Old Lamps, Tell the Past Fair (งานจุดตะเกียงเก่า เล่าเรื่องอดีต): is held every year in December at Yusuksuwan Museum, Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri. The Fair includes lighting of rare antique lamps from the collector. Enjoy the atmosphere of a temple fair: an open-air theatre, Sao Noi Tok Nam (dunk tank), Thai old style folk circle dance (Ram Wong), and enjoy famous food of Prachin Buri.

Royal Handwriting Celebration Fair (งานเฉลิมฉลองพระหัตถ์): is held annually in December at the Royal Handwriting Monument, Amphoe Si Maha Phot. The Fair includes the exhibition of the 100-year commemoration of King Rama V's passing, as well as the performance of Thai classical music, Thai traditional recreation, old time parades (elephants, horses parades), celebratory entertainment shows, and student performances.

LOCAL PRODUCTS AND SOUVENIRS

Nong Cha-om Market, Various Fruits and Vegetable Market (ตลาดหนองชะอม ตลาดผลไม้-พืชผักนานาชนิด), located at Tambon Khok Mai Lai, is a middleman trading market of local products and souvenirs from Prachin Buri and other provinces. Thus, it is a rest area for travellers who pass Highway No. 33 at Km. 151. Most of the products are from Prachin Buri; such as, seasonal fruits, durian, santol, mangosteen, pomelo, Mafai (*baccaurea ramiflora*), and Phai Tong bamboo shoot, which are now available all through the year because Prachin Buri is one of the provinces which grow lots of Phai Tong bamboo with good qualities: big size, and sweet. They can be cooked as a main dish or dessert deliciously. Other transformed products are on sale; for example, fruit jam, fermented bamboo shoots, preserved fruits, durian chip, and jackfruit chip. In addition, vendors offer products from other

provinces during the non-fruiting season of Prachin Buri; therefore, the products are various in different seasons. Visitors can stop by to eat on the way of their trips or to bring back home. The market opens daily from morning to evening. *To get there:* from Bangkok toward Nakhon Nayok downtown, take Highway No. 33 to the direction of Prachin Buri. Drive from the junction of downtown Nakhon Nayok for about 14 km. At Km. 151, Nong Cha-om Market is located on the right hand. Make a u-turn to stop by.

Ban Ngong Ban Ton Market (ตลาดบ้านโง้ง บ้านตัน): situated on Suwannason Road of Highway No. 33 Km. 172, is a market for selling products and furniture made from old wood or bamboo of the Pho Ngam Community, Amphoe Prachantakham. Along both sides of Suwannason Road, villagers will bring their products made from local wisdom plus the initiative of the community to create local products for sale to travellers who buy for souvenirs or trading, resulting in additional income to the Tambon Pho Ngam villagers. Prachin Buri is one of the provinces, that has lots of bamboo of different species. Villagers use baby bamboo shoots for food and older bamboo for basketry, household building or make living tools to add more income to their family. People in the community, thereby, in their collaboration, produce goods based on bamboo as a raw material and sell to commuters. The goods are furniture for household decoration; such as, sets of sofa, beds, Thai traditional house gazebo with Lalang grass roofing, old wood Thai house gazebo, kitchenware; such as, sieves, lids in many designs, landscaping tools; for examples, wooden fences, and pots for orchids.

Palm-leaf Wickerwork Community at Ban Thap Lan (กลุ่มจักสานใบลานบ้านทับลาน): situated at Mu 1, Tambon Bu Phram, Amphoe Na Di on Highway No. 304 (Kabin Buri-Wang Nam Khiao) for 30 kilometres distance, Tel. 08 1996 0036, sells products made from palm leaves; such as, bags, hats, tissue boxes. Open daily from 07.00 a.m.–07.00 p.m.

Bamboo Charcoal (ถ่านไม้ไผ่): situated at 110 Mu 1, Tambon Sam Phan Ta, Amphoe Na Di, sells charcoal that protects magnetic waves and electronic waves, fridge odour absorbent charcoal. For more information, please contact Khun Kitti Loetlam, Tel. 08 1813 1935. For Bangkok, call Tel. 0 2944 0708-9. Open daily from 08.00 a.m.–04.00 p.m.

Nanthawan Thai Silk (นันทวันไหมไทย): located near Wat Bun Koet, 90 Mu 2, Highway No. 304, Tambon Lat Takhian, Amphoe Kabin

Buri, Tel. 0 3745 1238, 08 1576 9932, 08 1782 4480, sells and weaves silk fabric and silk products in colourful and beautiful patterns. Open daily at 07.00 a.m.-06.00 p.m.

Nam Phrik Khun Samruai (น้ำพริกคุณसारวย): 85-87 Tha Takhro Market, Tambon Thetsaban, Amphoe Kabin Buri, produces and sells many kinds of chilli paste. Tel. 0 3728 2343, 0 3728 1294. Open at 07.00 a.m.-07.00 p.m.

Fruits and Agricultural Products (ผลไม้ และผลิตภัณฑ์ทางการเกษตร): are generally known as good quality products; such as, durian, rambutan, pomelo, santol, mangosteen, Maprang, Mafai, Long Kong and Phai Tong bamboo shoots. The distribution points are at the Nong Cha-om T junction Fruit Market, and at Ban Nong Chuang, Tambon Dong Khi Lek, Tambon Ban Phra (at the entrance of Wat Nong Chuang), Amphoe Mueang, Prachin Buri.

Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Herbal Products (ผลิตภัณฑ์สมุนไพรเจ้าพระยาอภัยภูเบศร): made from Thai herbs, which are useful, are offered in easy to use forms; such as, Khamin (turmeric) soap, mangosteen soap, tamarind facial cleanser, shampoo, toothpaste, skin moisturizer, lemon grass mosquito repellent, Salet Phangphon balm, herbal drinks, herbal medicine; these are produced and sold at the Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital. Tel. 0 3721 1088 ext. 2137. Open 08.30 a.m.-08.30 p.m. For mail delivery order, call Tel. 0 3721 1523.

Bamboo Furniture (ผลิตภัณฑ์ไม้ไผ่): is produced in Ban Ngong and Ban Pho, Amphoe Prachantakham into tables, chairs, garden furniture, shelves, etc. These products are sold along the route through the production area (the way to Amphoe Phanom Sarakham).

Dok Ya Broom (ไม้กวาดดอกหญ้า): the source of production is at Tambon Prachantakham and Tambon Pho Ngam, Amphoe Prachantakham.

Reed Mat (เสื่อกก): is generally produced in Amphoe Ban Sang, especially widely throughout Tambon Bang Plara. It is made of reed plants including Krajut, Kok Sam Liam and Kok Langka. Most of them are woven into large mats for lying on, folding mats and bags. There are both in natural colour and in dyed ones. They are available in shops in Amphoe Ban Sang, Prachin Buri.

Bamboo Products Centre (ศูนย์จำหน่ายผลิตภัณฑ์ไม้ไผ่): is situated approximately 3 kilometres from the King Naresuan the Great Shrine on the way to Aranyaprathet. Various kinds of furniture

made of bamboo are offered on both sides of the road, as well as, other products such as brooms, mats, woven products.

INTERESTING ACTIVITIES

Agro-Tourism Attractions

Ban Dong Bang Agro Tourism Attraction (แหล่งท่องเที่ยวเชิงเกษตรบ้านดงบัง): is a village producing organic farm herbs, which have cultivated and transformed Thai raw material herbs; such as, Yo, Fa Thalai Chon, Peking grass, Chum Het Thet, Pheka, and Salet Phangphon. These herbs were converted to be hot compress herbs balls, sauna sets, massaging oil, healing herb soap. Massage, sauna, and hot compress services are available.

Youth guides are well-trained to explain about herbs. For more information, please call the Ban Dong Bang Herbal Community, Tel.08 7087 5039,08 6700 8842.

Furthermore, there is a famous orchard road at Ban Nong Chuang-Ban Nong Kankrao (บ้านหนองจวง-บ้านหนองกันเกรา). Those fruits are mangosteen, santol, durian, pomelo, Maprang, and rambutan. Visitors can walk in, taste, and buy fresh fruits at the orchards as follows:

Amphoe Mueang (อำเภอเมืองฯ)

- 1. Suan Rian Thong** (สวนเหรียญทอง) Owner: Mr. Samran Rianthong, 60/6 Mu 16 Tambon Ban Phra, Tel:0 3740 3807, 08 1663 8037, 08 1782 1145. (Produce includes santols, mangosteens, durians)
- 2. Suan Panya** (สวนปัญญา) Owner: Mr. Panya Bamrungwat, 60/3 Mu 16, Tambon Ban Phra, Tel: 0 3740 3134, 08 1949 6977. (Produce includes santols, durians)
- 3. Suan Huat Chueng** (สวนห้วยจิ้ง) Owner: Mr. Manat Huatchueng, 133/2 Mu 8 Tambon Dong Khilek, Tel: 0 3740 3568, 08 6144 1092. (Produce includes santols, durians)
- 4. Suan Sap Prasoe** (สวนทรัพย์ประเสริฐ) Owner: Mr. Somyot Khumphlai, 60/1-2 Mu 8 Tambon Dong Khilek, Tel: 08 6076 9343. (Produce includes durians)
- 5. Suan Thiap Klang** (สวนเทียบกลาง) Owner: Mr. Thewi Thiapklang, 160 Mu 7 Tambon Khok Mai Lai, Tel: 0 3740 5383. (Produce includes Pomelo)
- 6. Suan Sanit** (สวนสันติ) Owner: Mr. Sanit Chaodi, 160 Mu 7 Tambon Khok Mai Lai, (Produce includes Pomelo)
- 7. Suan Sunalai** (สวนสุนาลัย) Owner: Mrs. Sam-ang Sunalai 174/1 Mu 9 Tambon Dong Khilek, Tel: 0 3740 3392, 08 9687 0332. (Produce

includes mangosteens and durians)

8. Suan Yothi (สวนโยธี) Owner: Mr. Yothi Chanrueang, 10/1 Mu 16 Tambon Ban Phra, Tel: 0 3740 3578. (Produce includes mangosteens and durians.)

Amphoe Si Maha Phot (อำเภอศรีมหาโพธิ์)

1. Suan Chit Niyom (สวนจิตรนิยาม) Owner: Mr. Kriangsak Udomsin, 29 Mu 2 Tambon Nong Phrong, (Produce includes mangosteens)

2. Suan Thidarat (สวนธิดารัตน์) Owner: Mr. Wira Sosuep, 32/4 Mu 3 Tambon Krok Sombun, Tel: 08 9543 8438. (Produce includes mango, santols)

Mai Dok Mai Pradap Chaloem Phra Kiat Village - Ban Dong Bang Herbal Community - Ban Nong Chuang - Nong Kankrao Orchard Road (หมู่บ้านไม้ดอกไม้ประดับเฉลิมพระเกียรติ-สมุนไพรบ้านดงบัง-ถนนผลไม้บ้านหนองจวง-หนองกันเกรา): are located at Suwannason Road Km. 165, Tambon Dong Khi Lek and Tambon Bang Phra, Amphoe Mueang Prachin Buri.

Prachin Buri is an abundant province. People make a living by agriculture, especially, planting vegetables, orchard, breeding flowering plants, and ornamental trees. With its good quality and inexpensive production, Prachin Buri is an agro tourism attraction. If visitors bring bicycles along, they can do activities; such as, **orchard tour biking, Thai herbs studying, local wisdom experiencing on how villagers move giant trees to grow in the garden. See, shop, and taste in the 3 interesting attractions:**

First stop: Chaloem Phra Kiat Flowering and Ornamental Plants Centre (ศูนย์ไม้ดอกไม้ประดับเฉลิมพระเกียรติ) is a centre of planting various kinds of plant breeds; for example, dig plants in different sizes; such as ornamental trees like Mok tree, Mak, Palm, trees in Thai literature, auspicious trees including fruit trees; such as, durian, mangosteen, santol, jackfruit, and bamboo shoot.

To get there: from Bangkok, take Suwannason Road on Highway No. 33 toward Amphoe Kabin Buri. At Km. 165, on the left, there will be a petrol station and a sign of “**Mueang Mai Dok Mai Pradap Chaloem Phra Kiat**”. From this point, all along the road, there are flowering and ornamental plants, where visitors can stop by and buy on the way back home.

Second stop: Learn about Herbs at “Ban Dong Bang Herbal Community” (เรียนรู้เรื่องสมุนไพร กลุ่มสมุนไพรบ้านดงบัง) was selected as an “**OTOP village prototype**” to develop Dong Bang village to be a full circle herbal organic farm tourism village, to promote

and support Thai wisdom on herbs and Thai traditional medication. The community offers a learning centre of herbal organic farm garden, provides a trek with a herbal healer and Thai herb explanation sign, spa and massage services, sauna, hot compress with herbal ball, home-stay accommodation provided for one who wants to learn the way of life of the villagers who plant herbs, being a centre of growing and selling seeds, herb seedlings, herbal and raw material products.

Third stop: Ban Nong Chuang - Nong Kankrao Orchard Road (ถนนผลไม้ บ้านหนองจวง-หนองกันเกรา), is a centre of good quality and inexpensive fruits from the orchards. From Ban Dong Bang village, make a left and keep going straight to the fruit street, a lot of orchards are opened for visitors to buy seasonal fruits, particularly, during May-June of every year, agricultural produce is on sale on this street; such as, durian, mangosteen, santol, jackfruit, and Mafai. Visitors can buy and try along both sides or even buy seedlings to grow at home.

To get there: Take Highway No. 305 on the route of Bangkok-Rangsit-Ongkharak-Nakhon Nayok, or Highway No. 33 on Bangkok-Saraburi-Ban Na-Nakhon Nayok route. From downtown Nakhon Nayok toward Prachin Buri-Kabin Buri, take Highway No. 33 on Suwannason Road, and make a right at Km. 165.

Eco-Tourism Attractions

Trekking: Many trekking routes are available as follows:

Trekking in Thap Lan National Park (เดินป่าในอุทยานแห่งชาติทับลาน): Covering the area of Amphoe Na Di of Prachin Buri, Amphoe Wang Nam Khiao, Amphoe Pak Thong Chai, Amphoe Khon Buri, and Amphoe Soeng Sang of Nakhon Ratchasima, as well as Amphoe Pakham of Buri Ram. Many trekking routes are available such as the Huai Kham Phu, Tambon Kaeng Dinso-Khao Thung. The total distance is 32 kilometres (return) and takes 2 days. Along the route, tourists will see flora like ferns, orchids, field of Kradum Ngoen (*Eriocaulon* spp.), and fauna such as banteng, Asiatic wild dog, Asiatic black bear, guar, and tiger. Also, there are strange yet beautiful looking stones, reminiscent of a train (Rotfai). Other routes include Heo Nok Kok Waterfall, Huai Yai Waterfall, Thung Tu Rotfai, and Lam Plai Mat Dam. For more details, contact Thap Lan National Park 2 days in advance at P.O. Box 37, Kabin Buri Post Office, Prachin Buri 25110, Tel. 0 3721 9408.

Khao Samo Pun Route (เส้นทางเขาสมอปูน): Located in Amphoe

Mueang and Amphoe Prachantakham, a total distance of 30 kilometres, which takes about 3-4 days. Tourists can choose many starting and finishing points such as Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 12 (Noen Hom), Unit 11, (Khlong Pheka), or Unit 10 (Prachantakham) or use the route to Khao Khiao. Major tourist attractions include Thung Na Pha, Thung Phrommachan, Lan Suriyan, Thung Hin Pratu Mueang, field of ferns, field of wild flowers, as well as waterfalls such as Namtok Hin Tat, Namtok Bang-oen, and Namtok Heo I Am along the route.

Namtok Som Poi-Tat Hin Yao-Thung Ngu Lueam Route (เส้นทางน้ำตกส้มป่อย ตาดหินยาว หุ่นงูเห่ล้อม): Starting from Namtok Som Poi, Tambon Bu Fai, Amphoe Prachantakham, to Namtok Sai Khu, Namtok Kaeng Kritsana, Tat Hin Yao, Thung Na Prang, and Thung Ngu Lueam, a total distance of 10 kilometres, which takes 2-3 days for a round trip. If choosing to go via Thung Hin Lek Fai to Namtok Heo I Am, the distance will be 15 kilometres, with a duration of 3 days.

Namtok Takhro-Namtok Heo Chakkachan Route (เส้นทางน้ำตกตะคร้อ-น้ำตกเหวจักจั่น) A short route starting from Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 10 (Prachantakham) to Namtok Takhro, and across the suspension bridge to Namtok Salat Dai. The route ends at Heo Chakkachan Waterfall, a total distance of 6 kilometres, with a duration of 2 days and 1 night.

Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 10 Route (Prachantakham-Namtok Fong Sabu) (เส้นทางจากหน่วยพิทักษ์อุทยานแห่งชาติเขาใหญ่ หน่วยความรับผิดชอบที่ 10 (ขญ.10 ประจันตคาม-น้ำตกฟองสบู่) The route starts from Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 10 and walk uphill, via Khlong Takhian Phrong, to Namtok Fong Sabu. On the return trip, stop by to visit Namtok Heo Ta Khon Dam, a total distance of 12 kilometres, with a duration of 2 days.

Namtok Takhro-Namtok Wang Heo-Sai Yai Route (เส้นทางน้ำตกตะคร้อ-น้ำตกวังเหว-ใสใหญ่) Start from Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 10 and head northeast to the beautiful Namtok Wang Heo. Stop by to visit the dinosaur footprints. On the returning route, pass Kaeng Hin Poeng at Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 9 (Sai Yai), Amphoe Na Di, Prachin Buri. The total distance is about 25 kilometres, with a duration of 3-4 days. For further details, please contact Khao Yai National Park Safeguard Unit 10, Amphoe Prachantakham, Prachin Buri.

Bicycling Bring your own bicycle and tour along the routes as follows:

1. *Khao Yai Grand View Thani Resort to Namtok Khao Ito* being a distance of approximately 25 kilometres. Experience the rural lifestyle, bamboo garden, Namtok Khao Ito, Chakkraphong Dam, the Wonder Hill, King Naresuan the Great Shrine, and Phrakhrut Thai Thammathari Museum along the route.

2. *Sa Morakot Archaeological Site Route* starts from the Buddha's Footprints. View the Si Maha Pho Bodhi Tree, Wihan Luangpho Thawarawadi, Sa Kaeo, Si Mahosot Ancient Town, Ancient Monument No.25 and return to the starting point.

Kaeng Hin Phoeng Rafting (ล่องแก่งหินเพิง)

Kaeng Hin Phoeng (แก่งหินเพิง), located in Tambon Saphan Hin, Amphoe Na Di, is a large beautiful reef in Sai Yai Creek, having a geological characteristic of a sandstone formation, under the supervision of Khao Yai National Park Ranger Unit 9. (Sai Yai), Amphoe Na Di. This place is well-known for challenging and adventurous rubber boat rafting. In the rainy season of July-November, it is full of water and flowing in multi-layers, which is suitable for rafting. After the rainy season, this reef will become an extensive rock terrace. The rafting route of Kaeng Hin Phoeng will go through Kaeng Hin Phoeng, Kaeng Wang Nam Lom, Kaeng Wang Bon, Kaeng Luksuea, Kaeng Wang Sai, and Kaeng Ngu Hao. A rubber raft is capable of holding 8-10 persons. Along the Sai Yai Creek, visitors will be taken to the Khao Yai National Park Ranger Unit 9 (Sai Yai) and trek to the source of the river, a 2.5 kilometres distance for about 45 minutes. After that the rafting will start and reach to the last point at Kho Yai 9. Interested persons can directly contact entrepreneurs or tour operators who organise the Kaeng Hin Phoeng rafting. Camping on site or staying at resorts in Prachin Buri is optional.

To get there: Take the route of Amphoe Kabin Buri-Nakhon Ratchasima on Highway No. 304. From the entrance at Km. 11, go further for 25 kilometres, park at the Khao Yai National Park Ranger Unit 9, then walk for 45 minutes to arrive at Kaeng Hin Phoeng. For further information, please contact the Association of Kaeng Hin Phoeng Rafting Entrepreneurs as follows:

Amphoe Na Di (อำเภอนาดิ)

Camping Site Centre (แคมป์ไซด์ เซ็นเตอร์) 85/46 Mu 6 Bang Yai City, Kanchanaphisek Road, Tambon Sao Thong Hin, Bang Yai, Nonthaburi. Tel: 08 1318 9942 Bangkok Office Tel: 0 2345 3907, 0 2961 2204-5 (Whitewater rafting at Kaeng Hin Phoeng).

Hin Phoeng Resort (หินเพิง รีสอร์ท) 31 Mu 4 Tambon Saphan Hin,

Tel: 08 7904 0654, 08 9828 8127 Bangkok Tel: 0 2818 3265
www.hinpheongresort.hi5.com (Whitewater rafting at Kaeng Hin
Phoeng, Fishing)

Kaeng Hin Phoeng Camping (แก่งหินเพิง แคมป์) 185 Mu 12 Tambon
Na Di, Tel: 0 3740 5608, 0 3740 5611, 08 1982 0658 (Abseiling,
tower jumping, water skiing).

Kaeng Hin Phoeng Riverside (แก่งหินเพิง ริเวอร์ไซด์) 120 Mu 7 Tambon
Samphanta. Tel: 08 1909 6896, 08 9993 4177 (Abseiling, tower
jumping, water skiing).

Nua Fai Camp (เหนือฝายแคมป์) 215 Mu 1 Tambon Na Di, Tel: 0 3728
9005, 08 1862 9228, 08 1983 2199 www.nuafai.camptour.net
(Whitewater rafting).

Paddlers Club (ชมรมคนพายเรือ) 12 Mu 1 Tambon Saphan Hin, Tel:
08 1304 6849, 08 4781 2798, 08 9250 0689 (Trekking in Khao Yai
National Park, tower jumping, abseiling).

Suan Saksupha Resort (สวนศักดิ์สุภา รีสอร์ท) 28 Mu 4 Tambon Saphan
Hin. Tel: 0 3745 1211, 08 1454 0076, 08 1515 1946, 08 1632 6606
Bangkok Office Tel: 0 2249 8093-96 www.saksupha.net (abseiling
and tower jumping).

Saiyai Resort (сайใหญ่ รีสอร์ท) 252 Mu 7 Tambon Samphanta, Tel:
0 3728 2576, 0 3720 5522, 08 6315 1296, 08 9094 7210 www.
saiyai.20m.com (Whitewater rafting at Kaeng Hin Phoeng, Kayak)

Wang Taphap Resort (วังตะพาน รีสอร์ท) 44 Mu 2 Tambon Saphan
Hin, Tel: 0 3745 1204, 08 1935 4855, 08 1983 8335 www.
wangtaphapresort.com (Whitewater rafting, tower jumping)

Amphoe Kabin Buri (อำเภอกบินทร์บุรี)

Prapa Tour (ประภา ทัวร์) 379/89-90 Mu 10 Tambon Nong Ki, Tel:
0 3745 5184, 08 9249 6789, 08 1453 0553 www.prapatour.com
(Whitewater rafting at Kaeng Hin Phoeng)

Sport

Golfing

Amphoe Mueang (อำเภอมือง)

Phrom Yothi Camp Golf Course (สนามกอล์ฟค่ายพรหมโยธี) Tambon
Ban Phra, Tel: 0 3721 1439 ext: 9999.

Amphoe Kabin Buri (อำเภอกบินทร์บุรี)

Hillside Country Home Golf and Resort (ฮิลล์ไซด์ คันทรี โฮม กอล์ฟ
แอนด์ รีสอร์ท) 81/ 25 Mu 12 Tambon Nonsi, Tel: 0 3721 5492-4, 08 1734
5915. Bangkok Tel: 0 2274 7368, 0 2693 4004. It is a 9-hole golf
course, open from 08.00 a.m.-06.00 p.m.

Kabin Buri Sport Club (กระบินทร์บุรี สปอร์ต คลับ) 196 Mu 11
Tambon Wangdan, Tel: 0 3729 0345, 0 3720 5205-7

Spa

Amphoe Mueang (อำเภอเมืองฯ)

Kaoyai Grand View Thani Resort (เขาใหญ่ แกรนด์ วิว ธาณี รีสอร์ท) 74/2
Prachin-Khaoyai Road, Tambon Noen Hom, Tel: 0 3727 9410-13
Bangkok Tel: 0 2636 3600 www.kaoyaigrandresort.com (Thai
Massage)

Suan Ratsami Resort and Spa (สวนรัศมี รีสอร์ท แอนด์ สปา) 3/1 Mu4,
Tambon Dong Khi Lek Tel: 0 3740 3959, 08 1949 6813, 08 1862 7965,
08 1982 4512 (Thai Massage)

Amphoe Si Maha Phot (อำเภอศรีมหาโพธิ์)

Tawa Ravadee Resort (ทวาราวดี รีสอร์ท) 77 Mu 7 Tambon Thatum,
Tel: 0 3720 8444-69 Fax: 0 3720 8470 Bangkok Tel: 0 2267 7111-3
www.tawaravadeehotel.com, (Thai Massage, Body Scrub, Facial
Massage)

EXAMPLES OF TOUR PROGRAMMES

Route 1 Prachin Buri City Tour (One Day Trip)

King Naresuan the Great Shrine, Phrakhru Uthai Thammathari
Museum, Prachin Buri National Museum, Wat Kaeo Phichit, Thai
Traditional Medicine Museum, Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital,
Ban Dong Bang Agro-tourism and Herbal Community

Route 2 Cultural Tour (One Day Trip)

King Naresuan the Great Shrine, Phrakhru Uthai Thammathari
Museum, Prachin Buri National Museum, Thai Traditional Medicine
Museum, Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital, Luangpho
Thawarawadi, Wat Ton Pho Si Maha Pho, Wat Sa Morakot Sa
Morakot Archaeological Site, Si Mahosot Ancient Town

Route 3 Health Tour (One Day Trip)

King Naresuan the Great Shrine, Phrakhru Uthai Thammathari
Museum, Prachin Buri National Museum, Thai Traditional Medicine
Museum, Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital Herbal Compress,
Ban Dong Bang Agro-tourism and Herbal Community

Route 4 Adventure Tour

Namtok Takhro, Namtok Than Thip, Namtok Khao Ito, Chakkraphong
Dam, Wonder Hill, Namtok Heo Narok, Stay overnight at Khao Yai
National Park

Route 5 *Adventure Tour*

Horse riding and shooting at Phrom Yothi Camp (Please contact in advance), Whitewater rafting at Kaeng Hin Phoeng, Thap Lan National Park, Stay overnight at Kaeng Hin Phoeng or Thap Lan National Park.

ONE DAY FUN

Bangkok–Prachin Buri Route

Cycling tour amidst the nature, learning traditional Thai medicine, enjoying the Prachin Buri city tour and relaxing in the nature.

Cycling along Khao Ito and taste Nong Chuang and Nong Kankrao's fruits. Gather a cycling group for exercising in the morning with the Khao Ito Cycling Club. Cycle along an asphalt road around the dam or cut through the forest to the sightseeing spot on the mountain. Every route is indicated by clear signs. If visiting during the fruit season in April, a cycling trip to taste various kinds of fruits will be organized in the orchards at Ban Nong Kankrao and Ban Nong Chuang. Fruits to taste are guava, mango, rose apple, jackfruit, santol, and Mayong Chit abundant in the orchards. Visitors can taste them in any orchards they prefer. Contact the Khao Ito Cycling Club at Tel. 08 9340 3711, 08 7913 7323. Renting a bicycle costs 100 Baht per hour, 300 Baht a day. Witness the lifestyle of the herbal gardeners of Ban Dong Bang, the producers of herbal raw materials for the Abhaibhubejhr Hospital. Experience the transformation of herbs in the up-to-international standard building. **Ban Dong Bang Herbal Community.** (Please contact in advance) at Tel. 08 9269 2643, 08 7087 5039 open everyday at 09.00 a.m.–07.00 p.m..

Enter Prachin Buri city. Learn the story of the medical intellectual at the **Thai Traditional Medicine Museum, Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Building**, a beautiful ancient building constructed in the reign of King Rama V. Pay respect to the statue of its owner located in front. Listen to the story of the past concerning this European style establishment. Read the traditional Thai medicine recipes. If you have enough time, experience the foot massage for comfort at the Massage and Herbal Steam Centre. Taste healthy lunch dishes such as mushroom spicy salad or self-serviced Khao Rat Kaeng lunch at the canteen for health. Purchase herbal Abhai-bhubejhr products from lozenges, inhalant, herbal tea to beauty products such as shampoo, skin lotion, etc.

Then, visit Wat Kaeo Phichit by crossing the Prachin Buri River to the eastern side. Witness the magnificent Ubosot of the temple

perfectly combining the Thai, Chinese, European and Khmer arts presenting through the Thai-style of Cho Fa (a gable finial) and Bai Raka (crockets), Chinese dragons in green stucco relief on the pillars of the gable, columns, paintings of male and female Europeans under the eaves around the outside walls of the Ubosot, as well as, the Khmer-style entrance archway. Pay respect to the main Buddha image containing precious gems in the eyes and the Unalom–“Unaloma” in Pali referring to the auspicious mark symbolizing wisdom on the forehead of the Buddha image. Tour around the temple compound and witness the European style of structures presenting Greek art which was once the **Pali Dhammavinaya School** constructed during the similar reign of the Chao Phraya Abhaibhubejhr Building.

Bangkok–Chachoengsao–Prachin Buri

Explore the historical land and study the nature from traditional Thai medicine.

A route for those interested in the historical and cultural story. Learn from the past through the ancient archaeological remains. Admire the intellectual of the traditional Thai medicine, remaining in the way of life until the present time.

The journey being in the province of chachoengsao. At **Wat Sathon Wararam Worawihan**, pay respect to the much-revered Buddha image *Luangpho Sothon* and paste a gold leaf on the image. See the new ordination hall or ubosot by the Bang Pakong River. A boat ride from the pier takes visitors to old maeket, “Talat Ban Mai”, and the Chinese Temple “Wat Chin Pracha Samoson”. The boat trip leaves from the pier in from Wat Sothon (at the back of the new ordination hall). Tel.0 3851 4333,08 9666 4266,08 9668 1726 www.bpkcruise.com. Pray for luck and prosperity at **Wat Chin Pracha Samoson**, a temple in the Mahayana sect. Pay respect to the three Buddha images made of paper from China. Arrive at Si Mahosot Ancient Town, Prachin Buri. **Pay respect to the Buddha’s Footprints.** Follow youth guides who can clearly recite the story of the archaeological site, especially at the Buddha’s Footprints, or **Phra Phutthabat Yukhon**, believed to be the oldest ones. Conduct the correct method of paying respect to the Footprints by not throwing any coins into them. Visit the sacred well nearby. Si Mahosot Ancient Town can be visited everyday. The youth guides will lead the tour only on Saturdays and Sundays without any charge. Pass the centre of Prachin Buri to see the lifestyle of **Ban Dong Bang Herbal Community**. This group of quality herb planters will supply the raw material for the Chao phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital. (Please contact the community in advance) at Tel. 08 9269 2643,

08 7087 5039. Take a herbal route into the hospital to witness **the Thai Traditional Medicine Museum** in Chao Phya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital, taste a free herbal drink everyday and purchase a variety of Abhaibhubejhr herbal products.

Bangkok–Chachoengsao Prachin Buri–Nakhon Nayok

This route leads you to tour the 4 provinces. Admire the art in the Thai and Chinese temples and taste good quality fruits in the well-known fruit district.

Wander along **a small market on the edge of Khlong Suan** at the connection area of Samut Prakan and Chachoengsao. Join the political talks around the coffee table at the coffee shop owned by a friendly old Chinese man. Enjoy a light breakfast consisting of fried popovers, soy milk or taste Hoi Cho and traditional style of winged bean salad.

Pay respect to the Buddha images in 3 temples and witness the art of 3 nations. Before passing Mueang Paet Rio, visitors should pay respect to **Luangpho Sothon**, the Buddha image of the city revered by people around the country. Admire the new Ubosot presenting the skills of Thai craftsmen through the magnificent and unique architecture. Experience the atmosphere on the edge of the Bang Pakong River at the landing stage. There are also shuttle long-tailed boats to the market in the city and touring cruises along the Bang Pakong River at Tel.0 3851 4333.

View the Chinese art at **Wat Chin Pracha Samoson** from the gigantic Thao Chatulokkaban -the guardian deities- at the entrance gate to other Chinese deities. Pay respect to the paper Buddha image from Shanghai. Witness the splendid Ubosot adorned with art from various countries at **Wat Kaeo Phichit** on the edge of the Prachin Buri River, as well as, two European style structures. Relax at the landing stage near the river, whose eaves and gable are adorned with the skillful fretwork of floral patterns, constructed since 1932.

Taste the “Thun Klao” breed of Mayong Chit. Enter the orchard in Nakhon Nayok and visit the “Thun Klao” breed of Mayong Chit orchards. View the selection process of the ripen ones, whose size is as big as a palm. Taste its natural sweetness. The impressed ones can purchase it to plant by themselves. The farmers are pleased to provide advice. Sweet marian plums and Mayong Chit season is during March-April. Please contact in advance to Suan Bunsom Kankaset at Tel.0 3738 2501, 08 1377 3945.

Before returning home, drop by to purchase trees at **the Ongkharak**

Ornamental Plants and Flowers Centre Khlong 15 at pleasure. Encourage the children to buy a plant for themselves or ask planting suggestions from the sellers who are always pleased to answer. During March-April every year, there is a contest of ornamental and flowering plants open to the public.

SUGGESTIONS FOR TOURISTS

- Find information about the tourist attractions to be visited; for example, history of monuments.
- Study the seasons of nature; for example, flowers, migrating birds of the right period to take a trip.
- Help to protect tourism resources; both natural and cultural sites.
- Do not behave against local people's traditions.
- Be careful and aware of safety.
- Follow the officials' suggestions strictly.

FACILITIES IN PRACHIN BURI

Accommodation

(Note: The room rates mentioned in this brochure may be changed without notice. Please ask for current information from each hotel before making reservation.)

Amphoe Mueang (อำเภอเมืองฯ)

Akan Premasuk 2 (อาคารเปรมสุข 2) inside Chaopraya Aphaiphubet Hospital Mu 12 Tambon Thangam (Tel: 0 3721 1088 ext. 4567), 30 rooms: 600-800 baht

Ban Phao (บ้านผา) 4 Soi Udomsuk Thetsabandamri Road Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1796, 0 3721 3093, 08 1503 1203, 08 1861 4026), 6 rooms: 800-1,000 baht

Ban Suan Resort (บ้านสวน รีสอร์ท) 55 Mu 18 Tambon Banphra (Tel: 0 3740 3252, 08 1630 9802), 40 rooms: 450-8,000 baht

Ban Mai Chay Khlong Resort (บ้านไม้ชายคลอง รีสอร์ท) 49/8 Tambon Khlong Ka Ja (Tel: 08 7619 0695, 08 6143 3558), 16 rooms: 400-800 baht

Bang Pa Kong (บางปะกง) 41 Wat Roman Uthit Road, Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1363), 50 rooms: 170-300 baht

Grand Garden (แกรนด์ การ์ดเดน) 90 Mu 6 Tambon Banphra (Tel: 0 3721 3363), 14 rooms: 500-750 baht

Khao Yai Grand View Thani Resort (เขาใหญ่ แกรนด์วิว ธาณี รีสอร์ท) 74/2 Prachin-Khao Yai Road, Tambon Noenhom (Tel: 0 3727 9410-13 Fax: 0 3727 9413, Bangkok Tel: 0 2237 5799 Fax: 0 2237 5798), www.kaoyaigrandviewresort.com, 80 rooms: 1,600-3,200 baht (Thai massage)

Kidsada Inn (กฤษฎดา อินน์) 42/2 Mu 2 Tambon Thangam (Tel: 08 9750 3500) 20 rooms: 250-500 baht

King Hotel (คิงส์ ไฮเต็ล) 28-30 Ratdamri Road, Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1188, 0 3721 5027 Fax: 0 3721 5027), 40 rooms: 306-500 baht

Palm Garden Lodge (ปาล์ม การ์ดैन ลอดจ์) 182 Mu 2 Tambon Dong Khi Lek (Tel: 0 3740 3391, 08 9989 4470 Fax: 0 3740 3390), www.palmgalo.com, 9 rooms: 400-1,000 baht

Patcha (พัชชา) 55 Mu 1 Soi Udomsuk Tambon Rob Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1876, 0 3721 3421), 37 rooms: 400-1,200 baht

Prachinburi (ปราจีนบุรี) 21 Ratdamri Road Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1142), 17 rooms: 100-150 baht

Rim Phu Garden Resort (ริมภู การ์เด้น รีสอร์ท) 79/2 Mu 6 Tambon Noenhom (Tel: 0 3740 7421 Bangkok Tel: 0 2641 5333-7 ext. 123, 08 1306 7660), 35 rooms: 1,200-2,200 baht

Rose (โรส) 357-357/2 Thetsabandamri Road Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1025, 0 3721 3792-3 Fax: 0 3721 3792), 50 rooms: 250-800 baht

Sap Phai Lin (ทรัพย์ไพลิน) 1/1 Thetsabandamri Road, Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 3601-2, 0 3721 2921), 45 rooms: 350-500 baht

Sophia (โซเฟีย) 243 Prachin Road, Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3720 0685, 0 3721 5811-2 Fax: 0 3720 0600), 55 rooms: 500-800 baht

Suan Ratsami Resort and Spa (สวนรัศมี รีสอร์ท แอนด์ สปา) 3/1 Mu 4 Tambon Dong Khi Lek (Tel: 0 3740 3959, 08 1949 6813, 08 1862 7965, 08 1982 4512), 10 Units: 2,000-2,500 baht, 5 row houses: 600 baht, Package Tour 3 days 2 nights: 2,000-4,000 baht (Thai Massage, Horse Riding)

Suksomchai (สุขสมใจ) 27-28 Ratdamri Road Tambon Na Mueang (Tel: 0 3721 1012), 20 rooms: 150-350 baht

Homestay

Suan Mok Village Farm (สวนโมก วิลเลจ ฟาร์ม) 117/1 Mu 6 Tambon Dongkhilek (Tel: 0 3740 3682, 08 1945 5697), 3 rooms: 500 baht/ Person

Amphoe Si Maha Phot (อำเภอศรีมหาโพธิ์)

Country Inn (คันทรี่ อินน์) 350 Mu 7 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3728 5099, 0 3728 5100), 26 rooms: 250-500 baht

Tawa Ravadee Resort (ทวาราวดี รีสอร์ท) 77 Mu 7 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3720 8444-69 Fax: 0 3720 8470 Bangkok Tel: 0 2267 7111-3), www.tawaravadeehotel.com, 200 rooms: 2,000-4,000 baht (ATV, BB Gun, Water Ball, Rolling Ball, Joking Track, Thai Massage, Sauna and Steam)

Mai Hom Resort (ไม้หอม รีสอร์ท) 183 Mu 2 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3728 5170-1), 28 rooms: 150-500 baht

Pan Hin Garden View (พานหิน การ์เดนวิว) 155 Mu 2 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3728 5255, 0 3728 5290), 60 rooms: 900-1,300 baht

Pan Hin Regent (พานหิน รีเจนท์) 224 Mu 10 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3720 8939 Fax: 0 3720 8640), 112 rooms: 1,500-2,700 baht

Park Boutique Resort (ปาร์ค บูติก รีสอร์ท) 113 Mu 2 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3728 5500, 08 5650 0500), 24 rooms: 400-600 baht

Phai Inn (ไผ่ อินน์) 201 Mu 12 Tambon Sri Maha Phot (Tel: 0 3720 9193), 20 rooms: 260-400 baht

Rang Si Man Resort (รังสีมันต์ รีสอร์ท) 299 Mu 5 Tambon Trok Sombun (Tel: 0 2504 0623-4, 08 1555 9423), 40 rooms: 1,200 baht

The Park 304 Hotel (เดอะ ปาร์ค 304 โฮเต็ล) 222 Mu 8 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3748 1555 ext. 111 Bangkok Tel. 0 2587 8200 Fax: 0 3748 1500), 64 rooms: 2,000-2,200 baht

Wang Samran (วังสำราญ) 219 Mu 10 Tambon Thatum (Tel: 0 3746 6222-30), 79 rooms, 2,400-18,000 bath

Amphoe Prachantakham (อำเภอประจันตคาม)

Phueang Pha Bungalow (เฟื่องฟ้า บังกะโล) 35 Mu 3 Suwannason Road Highway 33 km.183 Tambon Prachantakham (Tel: 0 3729 1341, 0 3729 1480), 25 rooms: 240-400 baht

Amphoe Kabin Buri (อำเภอกบินทร์บุรี)

Hillside Country Home Golf and Resort (ฮิลไซด์ คันทรี โฮม กอล์ฟ แอนด์ รีสอร์ท) 81/25 Mu 12 Tambon Nonsi (Tel: 0 3721 5492-5, 08 1734 3915 Bangkok Tel: 0 2274 7368, 0 2693 4004, 08 1350 6434), www.hillside.com, 50 rooms: 1,200-1,500 baht (Activities: biking, Golf Course)

Kabin Hotel (กบินทร์ โฮเต็ล) 37 Mu 16 Tambon Mueangkao (Tel: 0 3728 1303), 45 rooms: 150-400 baht

Kabin Inter (กบินทร์ อินเตอร์) 100 Mu 12 Tambon Mueangkao (Tel: 0 3720 2328-9, 0 3728 1450 Fax: 0 3728 1807), 20 rooms: 500 baht

Ko Suwan Resort 1 (เกาะสุวรรณ รีสอร์ท 1) 16/1 Suwannason Road Tambon Kabin Buri (Tel: 0 3720 5604), 13 rooms: 200-400 baht

Nontri Resort (นนทรี รีสอร์ท) 299 Mu 5 Suwannason Road Tambon Nontri (Tel: 0 3720 5432, 08 1863 8740 Fax: 0 3720 5432), 26 rooms: 150-400 baht

Petrachang Resort (เพชรกระจ่าง รีสอร์ท) 23/8 Mu 6 Tambon Khao Mai Kaew 18 rooms: 500 baht

Premasuk (เปรมสุข) 450 Mu 8 Suwannason Road Tambon Mueangkao (Tel: 0 3720 2955, 0 3720 2871), 106 rooms: 300-1,000 baht

Si Ri Mongkol (ศิริมงคล) 16-18-20 106/1 Tedsaban Road 5 (behind

railway station) Tambon Kabin Buri (Tel: 0 3728 1095, 0 3728 1674, 0 3728 1852), 65 rooms: 160-500 baht

Sri Kabin (ศรีकिनทร์) 127 Mu 8 Tambon Mueang Kao (Tel: 0 3728 1475, 0 3728 2366), 60 rooms: 200-550 baht

Amphoe Na Di (อำเภอนาดี)

Baan Talay Mhork (บ้านทะเลหมอก) 268 Mu 4 Highway 304 Mu 48 Tambon Buphran (Tel: 0 3728 2810-3, 08 6873 1836 Fax: 0 3728 2814 Bangkok Tel: 0 2735 4485, 0 2735 4560), www.baan talaymhork.com, 62 rooms: 1,400-6,300 baht, Tents for rent: 700 baht/ 2 persons, Breakfast included (Activities: Mountain Biking Abseiling Kayaking)

Ban Pa Ngam Resort (บ้านผางาม รีสอร์ท) 201 Mu 4 Tambon Bupram Highway 304 km. 48 (Tel: 0 3728 2797 Fax: 0 3728 2799 Bangkok Tel: 0 2424 3476, 0 2433 4884, 0 2883 5161), www.pangam.com, E-mail: mail@pangam.com, 36 rooms: 1,100-2,500 baht (included Package Tour 1 nights 2 days and 3 meals), 10 Tents for rent: 800 baht (Activities: White Water Rafting Abseiling trekking Mountain Bike Sky Cocster Flying Fox)

Banrabiangpha (บ้านระบือยม) 168 Mu 4 Tambon Buphran (Tel: 08 7248 1122, 08 1873 2631), 12 rooms: 1,000-2,000 baht

Hin Phoeng Resort (หินเพิง รีสอร์ท) 31 Mu 4 Tambon Saphanhin (Tel: 08 7904 0654, 08 9828 8127 Bangkok Tel: 0 2818 3265), Package Tour 2 days 1 nights: 1,000-1,200 baht/person (Activities: White Water Rafting paddling fishing Biking)

I D A House (ไอ ดี เอ เฮาส์) 313 Mu 13 Tambon Nadi (Tel: 08 4349 1896), 17 rooms: 250-390 baht

Kaeng Hin Phoeng Camping (แก่งหินเพิง แคมป์) 185 Mu 12 Tambon Nadi (Tel: 0 3740 5608, 0 3740 5611, 08 1663 2777, 08 1781 6026, 08 1982 0658 Fax: 0 3740 5608) 16 Row houses for 2-10 persons, Package Tour 2 days 1 night : 1,500 baht/person, 3 meals are included (Activities: White water rafting Water ski Karaoke Abseiling Tower Jumping)

Kaeng Hin Phoeng Riverside Resort (แก่งหินเพิง ริเวอร์ไซด์ รีสอร์ท) 120 Mu 7 Tambon Samphanta (Tel: 08 1909 6896, 08 9993 4177), 19 rooms: Package Tour 2 days 1 night: 1,500 baht/person, Tent : 1,200 baht, 3 meals are included (Activities: White water rafting(during July-October), Water ski Abseiling Tower Jumping)

Mueang Nai Mok Resort (เมืองในหมอก รีสอร์ท) 109 Mu 4 Kabin Buri-Pakthongchai Road Tambon Buphran (Tel: 0 3729 1127, 08 1718 0760, 08 7165 6996), 3 houses: 800 baht, Package Tour 2 days 1 night: 750-800 baht, 3 days 2 nights: 1,500-1,600 baht, Tent: 250 baht)

Nuafai Camp (เหนือฝาย แคมป์) 254 Mu1 Tambon Nadi (Tel: 0 3728 9005, 08 1983 2199, 08 1862 9229 Fax: 0 3728 9006), www.nuafai.camp tour.net, E-mail: nuafai@thaimail.com, 14 rooms: Package Tour 2 days 1 nights: 1,200 baht/ person 3 days 2 nights: 1,800 baht/ person, Tent 2 days 1 nights: 900 baht/ person 3 days 2 nights: 1,500 baht 3 meals included (Activities: White Water Rafting fishing)

Panta Riverside Resort (พันตา ริเวอร์ไซด์ รีสอร์ท) Mu7 Tambon Samphanta (Tel: 08 1309 6183, 08 1867 1614, 08 9368 8367, Bangkok Tel: 0 2511 1937), www.pantariverside.com, 2 houses: 1,150-1,700 baht (Activities: White water rafting, Kayaking Activities: White Water Rafting Kayaking)

Pung Luang Camp Ground (ผึ้งหลวง แคมป์ กราวด์) 139 Mu 10 Tambon Saphanhin (Tel: 0 3748 6761, 08 1357 5080 Bangkok Tel: 08 1402 7174, 08 6319 5291), www.pungluang.net, E-mail: camp_ground@hotmail.com, 13 rooms: 1,400-12,000 baht

Romyen Tublan (ร่มเย็นทับลาน) 315 Mu 4 Tambon Bupham (Tel: 08 5928 3664, 08 7901 9945, 08 9004 7625), www.romyentublan.com, 32 rooms: 900-3,000 baht, Tent: 300-500 baht

Sai Yai Resort (ใสใหญ่ รีสอร์ท) 252 Mu7 Tambon Samphanta (Tel: 0 3728 2576, 0 3720 5522, 08 6315 1296, 08 9094 7210), www.saiyai.20m.com, 9 houses for 10-20 persons: 1,800-3,500 baht, 5 rooms for 5-6 persons: 500 baht, Tent for 2 persons, 20 houses: 250 baht (Activities: White Water Rafting Abseiling mountain bike Kayaking)

Suan Niramon (สวนนิรมล) 246 Mu 7 Tambon Saphanhin (Tel: 08 931 5227), 450 baht (Package Tour 2 days 1 nights: 900 baht White Water Rafting included)

Suan Nongnut Prachin Buri Camping Resort (สวนนงนุช ปราจีนบุรี แคมป์ปิ้ง รีสอร์ท) 391 Mu 2 Tambon Thung Pho (Will take 30 minutes if uses Kabin Buri-Korat Road) (Tel: 0 3740 1373, 08 1909 9553 (Khun Kluai) Fax: 0 3740 1373 Bangkok Tel: 0 2215 1727), www.apexsiam-square.com, E-mail: apex@apexsiam-square.com, 32 houses: 2,200-5,000 baht, 1 Thai Style House: 5,000 baht, Tents for 2-5 persons: 200-500 baht (Activities: Tower Jumping, Water Biking)

Suan Sak Supha Resort (สวนศักดิ์สุภา รีสอร์ท) 28 Mu 4 Tambon Saphanhin (Tel: 0 3745 1211, 08 1454 0076, 08 1632 6606, 08 9832 2946, 08 1515 1946 Fax: 0 3745 1211 Bangkok Tel: 0 2249 8093-6), www.saksupha.net, E-mail: suksupha2004@hotmail.com, 30 houses, Package Tour 2 days 1 nights: 1,500 baht, 3 days 2 nights: 2,250 baht/person, Tent Package Tour 2 days 1 nights: 1,300 baht/person 3 meals included (Activities: White Water Rafting Tower Jumping)

Thap Lan National Park (อุทยานแห่งชาติทับลาน) Thap Lan National Park 502 Mu1 Tambon Bupram (Tel: 0 3721 9408 Bangkok Tel:

0 2562 0760), www.dnp.go.th, 15 Row houses: 1,500 baht, Tent for 2-8 persons: 150-600 baht, Tent site: 30 baht/person/nights

Tharane Resort (ธารณี รีสอร์ท) 225 Mu 3 Highway 304 Tambon Thung Pho (Tel: 0 3721 5638-40 Bangkok Tel: 0 2533 0778-9), 74 rooms: 1,200-5,000 baht, www.tharaneeresort.com (Activities: Water Biking Mountain Biking Abseiling)

Wangtaphab Resort (วังตะพาบ รีสอร์ท) 40 Mu 4 Tambon Saphanhin (Tel: 0 3745 1204, 08 1983 8335, 08 1663 2656), 30 rooms: 500-3,000 baht, Package Tour 2 days 1 night: 1,500 baht, 3 days 2 nights: 2,500 baht (Activities: White Water Rafting, canoeing, Abseiling)

Homestay

Thap Lan Homestay (ทับลาน โฮมสเตย์) 289 Mu1 Tambon Bupram (Tel: 08 1781 8857), 5 houses: 150 baht, Package Tour 2 days 1 nights: 650 baht/person

Restaurants

Amphoe Mueang (อำเภอเมืองฯ)

Bunta Khao Mun Kai (บุญตาข้าวมันไก่) 90/92 Na Mueang Road Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 6919 (Rice Chicken Noodles pork-Chicken Opens everyday 06.30 a.m.–04.00 p.m.)

Chanida (ชนิดา) 15 Thetsaban Road Soi 5 Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 1496, 08 1668 6248, 08 9444 5937 (Recommended Menu : Thai Food Opens everyday 06.00 a.m.–03.30 p.m.)

Herb Noodles (ก๋วยเตี๋ยวสูตรสมุนไพร) 192 Mu 11 Prachin Buri Road Tambon Dongpraram Tel: 0 3721 1760, 08 1623 1530, 08 1689 1413 (Noodles pork-beef Opens everyday 09.00 a.m.–03.00 p.m.)

Khaokaeng Paktai Je Ta (ข้าวแกงปากษ์ใต้เจ้ตา) 332/8 Prachin-Takham Road Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 5025, 08 1453 0047, 08 1686 5305 (Opens everyday 07.00 a.m.–03.00 p.m.)

Lak Mueang Khao Man Kai (หลักเมืองข้าวมันไก่) 88 Na Mueang Road (opposite Town Shrine) Tel: 0 3721 1044 (Chicken Rice, Pork Rice Red Sauce Noodles Opens everyday 07.00 a.m.–04.00 p.m.)

Mangkon Thong (มังกรทอง) 2-4 Prachintakham Road Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 1246 (Thai food a la carte Tomyam Kung Pla Kaphong fish in the chilli sour sauce Opens everyday 11.00 a.m.–09.00 p.m.)

Mathurot Rimsuan (มธุรสริมสวน) 254 Mu10 Tambon Dongpraram near Chakkaphong Hospital Tel: 0 3721 2398 (Thai-Chinese A la carte Food Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m.)

Nong Nok (น้องนก) 191/1 (opposite Nong cha om PTT. gas station) Suwannason Road Tambon Kokmalia Tel: 0 3740 5450, 0 3740 5566

(A la carte Thai Food Opens everyday 07.00 a.m.–06.00 p.m.)

Pet Yang Phon Chai (เปิดอย่างพรชัย) 134/1-2 Tetsabandamri Road Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 2299 (Open everyday 08.00 a.m.–04.00 p.m.)

Phat Thai San Suk (ผัดไทยแสนสุข) 80 Ratdamri Road Tambon Na Mueang Opposite Nakhonluangthai Bank Tel: 0 3721 1963 (Phat Thai Hoi Thot Opens everyday 10.30 a.m.–09.30 p.m.)

Phimai Garden Home (พิมาย การ์ดเด็น โฮม) 157 Mu9 Tambon Dong Khilek Suwannason Road Tel: 0 3740 3556, 08 1327 1104 (Thai Food Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–10.30 p.m.)

Plai Khuean (ปลายเขื่อน) Chakkaphong Dam Khao E-To Tambon Ban Phra (Opens 09.00 a.m.–08.00 p.m.)

Rabieng Na (ระเบียงนา) 19 Mu1 Suwinthawong Road km.154 Tambon Robmueang Tel: 08 1349 2504 (A la carte Food Opens everyday 11.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m.)

Saen Ocha (แสนโอชา) 45/29-30 Na Mueang Road (opposite Town Shrine) Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 1541 (Chicken Rice Pork Rice with Red Sauce Noodles Opens everyday 06.00 a.m.–05.00 p.m.)

Saen Sawangchai (แสนสว่างใจ) 202 Ratdamri Road (near Shell's Gas Station) Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 1230, 0 3721 1130 (Thai-Chinese Food Open everyday 10.00 a.m.–10.00 p.m.)

Tako Rai (ตะโกราย) 387 Kasemdamri Road Tambon Na Mueang (Thai Chinese Vegetable Food)

Tho Sri Burapha (ท.ศรีบุรพา) 82,84,86 Kaew Phichit Road Tambon Na Mueang Tel: 0 3721 3298, 0 3721 4312 (A la carte Thai food bakery ice cream Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–10.00 p.m.)

Tasty Restaurant (เทสต์ไรสเตอรอง) 40/40/1 Na Mueang Road Soi 2 (Talad Lang) Tel: 0 3721 5722, 08 1650 8012 www.tasty.cathosting.in.th (Thai-Chinese-Western Food Fried Chicken with herbal seasoning Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–11.00 p.m.)

Amphoe Ban Sang (อำเภอบ้านสร้าง)

Krua Wasinsap (ครัววคินสินทรัพย์) 63 Mu 3 Tambon Bansang Tel: 0 3740 2137 (Thai Food, A la carte Grilled prawn tom yam fish from the river Opens everyday 08.00 a.m.–10.00 p.m.)

Samakhom Chao Ban Sang (สมาคมชาวบ้านสร้าง) 22/3 Mu 4 (near Kasikorn Bank) Tambon Ban Sang Tel: 0 3727 1129, 08 1423 3832 (A la carte Thai Food Opens everyday 09.00 a.m.–09.00 p.m.)

Amphoe Sri Mahosot (อำเภอศรีมหาเสถ)

Duang Kai Yang (ดวงไก่อ๋ยง) in front of Sri Mahosot hospital Tambon Kokpip

Amphoe Sri Maha Phoe (อำเภอศรีมหาโพธิ์)

Kuai Tiao Pla (ก้วยเตี่ยวปลา) (Opposite Ptt Gas station) 246 Mu 10 Tambon Thatum Tel: 0 3720 8215 (Kuai tiao pla Opens everyday 08.00 a.m.–03.30 p.m.)

Linchu Photchana (หลินจูโภชนา) 99 Mu 10 Tambon Thatum near Siam commercial bank Tel: 0 3720 8273, 08 1944 9138 (A la carte Thai food Opens everyday 09.00 a.m.–06.00 p.m.)

Rim Ban Chan Muang (ริมบ้านخانเมือง) 387 Mu 4 Tambon Sri Mahaphoe near Prachin Buri River, Tel: 0 3720 6150 (A la carte Thai Food, grilled fish prawn Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–10.00 p.m.)

Tho Than Khao Man Kai (ธู ข้าวมันไก่) Thatum Tambon Tel: 08 6000 6012

Tiwarati (ทิวราตรี) in Tawa Ravadee Resort 77 Mu 7 Tambon Thatum Tel: 0 3720 8444 Bangkok Tel: 0 2267 7111-3, www.tawaravadee.com (Thai-Chinese European Opens everyday)

Amphoe Prachantakham (อำเภอประจันตคาม)

Amphol Photchana (อำพลโภชนา) 306 Chaoprayabadin Road Tambon Prachantakham

Peak Photchana (เปี้ยกโภชนา) 72 Mu 2 Tambon Prachantakham Tel: 0 3729 1107

Wirat Photchana (วิรัตน์โภชนา) 104/8 Suwannason Road Tambon Prachantakham

Amphoe Kabin Buri (อำเภอกบินทร์บุรี)

Ban Noen Nam (บ้านเนินน้ำ) 1032 Mu 8 Tambon Mueang Kao Tel: 0 3728 2108 (A la carte Thai food Fried Pork leg Opens everyday 11.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m.)

Heng Chuan Chim (เฮงชวนชิม) 779 chaosam Ang Road Tambon Kabin Tel: 0 3720 5546 (pork ball in the noodle soup Opens everyday 07.00 a.m.–03.00 p.m.)

Islam L Photchana (อิสลามแอลโภชนา) 3/2 Mu 4 Tambon Kabin Tel: 08 7936 8857 (Muslim Food)

Krua Suki (ครัวสุกี้) 58-60 Tambon Kabin Buri Tel: 0 3728 1104 (Suki A la carte Thai Opens everyday 08.00 a.m.–11.00 p.m.)

Mam Luk chin deng (หม่อมลูกชิ้นแดง) 3 Soi Ban khag Tel: 0 3728 1345 (pork ball in the noodle soup Opens everyday 08.00 a.m.–13.00 p.m.)

Palm Sweet Home (ปาล์ม สวีท โฮม) 520 Mu 8 Samtahan intersection Suwannason Road Tambon Mueang Kao Tel: 0 3728 2117, 0 3720 3206-7 Fax: 0 3720 3206 (Thai-European Food Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m.)

Ruean Wanitcha (เรือนวานิชชา) 138 Mu 4 Suwannason Road
Tambon Nonsi K.M.195 Tel: 03729 0330, 08 1663 7184, 08 1861
3245 (A la carte Thai Food Opens everyday 10.00 a.m.–08.00 p.m.)

Amphoe Nadi (อำเภอนาดิ)

Kai Yang Loet Thip (ไก่อ่างเลิศทิพย์) 282 Mu 4 Road 304 Tambon
Bupram km.88 Ban Sai Thong Tel: 08 9846 8375 (A la Carte Thai
Food Northeastern Thai style food Opens everyday 06.00 a.m.–
08.00 p.m.)

Pachampi (ป่าจำปี้) 110 Mu1 Ban Hin Dad Tambon Bupram Kabin-
Nakhon Ratchasima Road Tel:08 9938 1519

Ruean Kuan (เรือนขวัญ) 271/1 Mu 4 Tambon Bupram Tel: 08 7678
2538-9 (Thai Food A la carte Opens everyday 08.00 a.m.–09.00 p.m.)

Tonlan (ตันลาน) 646 Mu 1 Tambon Bupram Tel:08 5251 2851

USEFUL CALLS

Prachin Buri Provincial Office	Tel:0 3745 4005-6
Provincial Public Relations	Tel:0 3745 4058-9
Amphoe Na Di Office	Tel:0 3728 9124, 0 3728 9074
Prachin Buri Hospital	Tel:0 3721 3605
Chao Phraya Abhaibhubejhr Hospital	Tel:0 3721 1088, 0 3721 6145
Khai Chakkaphong Hospital	Tel:0 3721 1591
Prachantakham Hospital	Tel:0 3729 1368
Ban Sang Hospital	Tel:0 3727 1238-9
Sri Mahosot Hospital	Tel:0 3727 6297
Sri Mahaphoe Hospital	Tel:0 3727 9203-4
Na Di Hospital	Tel:0 3728 9057
Kabin Buri Hospital	Tel:0 3728 8197
Police Station	Tel:0 3721 1058
Amphoe Sri Mahosot	Tel:0 3727 6123
Prachin Buri Bus Station	Tel:0 3721 1292
Highway Police	Tel: 1193
Tourist Police	Tel: 1155